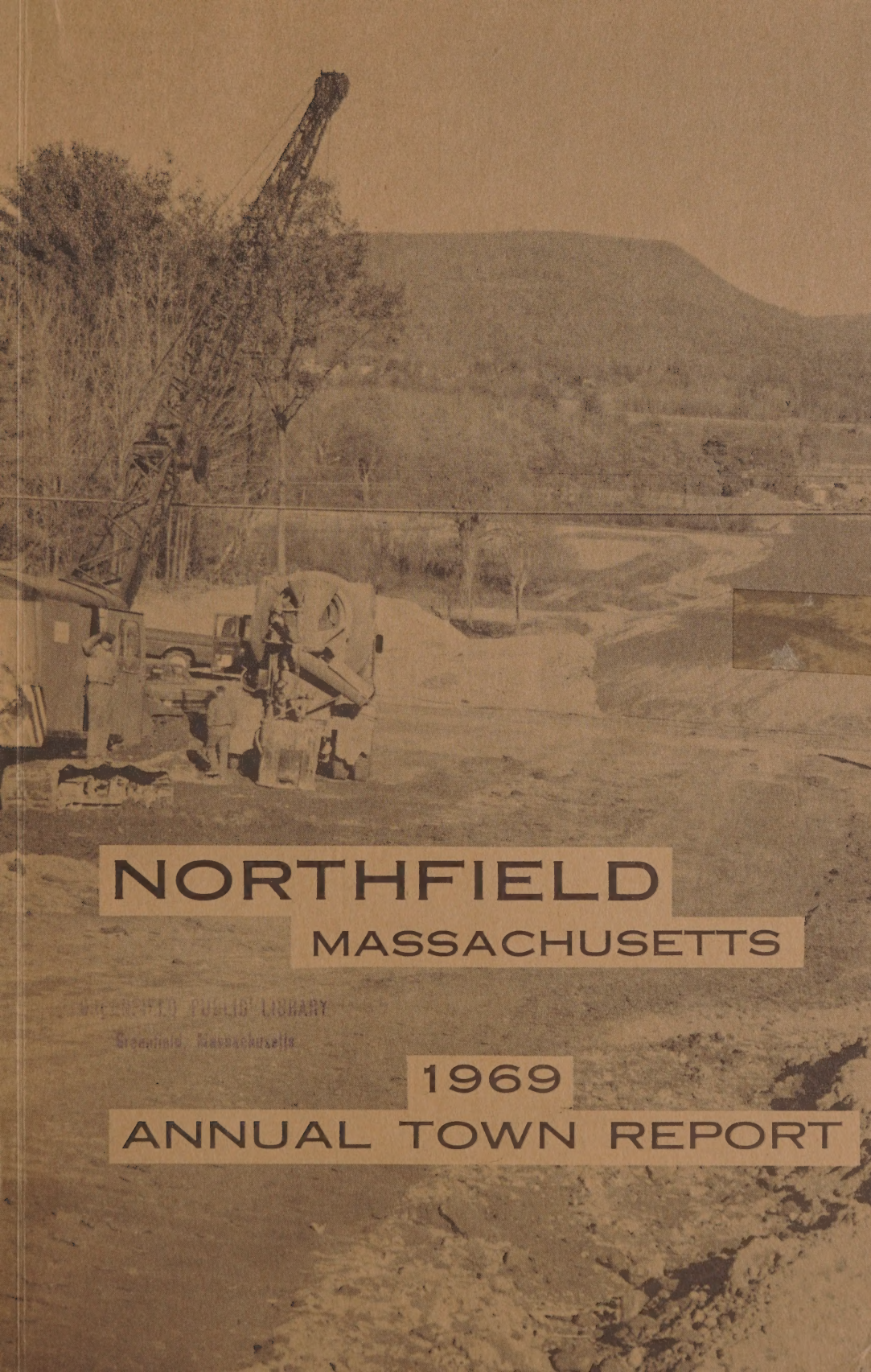




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of the TOWN of

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## TOWN OFFICERS

March 1969 to March 1970

## MODERATOR

Corys M. Heselton

## TOWN CLERK

Horace F. Field

## TREASURER

Delores R. Avery

## SELECTMEN

|                             |                         |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Stanley J. Powers, Chairman | Term expires March 1970 |
| Herbert H. Streeter         | Term expires March 1971 |
| William H. Hawley           | Term expires March 1972 |

## ASSESSORS

|                             |                         |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Lee H. Sheldon              | Term expires March 1970 |
| Roger M. Greenwood          | Term expires March 1971 |
| Joseph J. Steiner, Chairman | Term expires March 1972 |

## TAX COLLECTOR

|                  |                         |
|------------------|-------------------------|
| Gordon W. Leavis | Term expires March 1972 |
|------------------|-------------------------|

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

|                     |                                           |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| Wallace E. Stange   | Term expires March 1970                   |
| Elizabeth L. Bolton | Resigned August 1969                      |
| Jean L. Bachinski   | Appointed-September 1969<br>to March 1970 |
| Frank J. Rockwell   | Term expires March 1972                   |

## PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

|                      |                         |
|----------------------|-------------------------|
| Carolyn B. Parenteau | Term expires March 1970 |
| Roy J. Fish          | Term expires March 1972 |

## LIBRARY TRUSTEES

|                             |                         |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Evelyn H. Parker            | Term expires March 1970 |
| William H. Hawley, Chairman | Term expires March 1970 |
| Luman A. Barber             | Term expires March 1971 |
| Elsie S. Scott              | Term expires March 1971 |
| Margaret L. Jones           | Term expires March 1972 |
| George M. Leonard           | Term expires March 1972 |

## CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

|                    |                         |
|--------------------|-------------------------|
| Owen Stacey        | Term expires March 1970 |
| Horace F. Field    | Term expires March 1971 |
| Richard H. Bassett | Term expires March 1972 |

## TREE WARDEN

|               |                         |
|---------------|-------------------------|
| Joseph Bilmon | Term expires March 1970 |
|---------------|-------------------------|

## CONSTABLES

|                       |                         |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Joseph G. Morgan      | Term expires March 1971 |
| Niles E. Stone        | Term expires March 1971 |
| William J. Young      | Term expires March 1971 |
| Clesson M. Field, Jr. | Term expires March 1971 |

## PLANNING BOARD

|                            |                                      |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Charles M. Cooper          | Term expires March 1970              |
| James Dresser              | Term expires March 1971              |
| Ross L. Spencer, Jr.       | Resigned June 1969                   |
| John T. Callahan           | Appointed-July 1969 to<br>March 1970 |
| Harold A. Newton, Chairman | Term expires March 1973              |

## APPOINTED BY THE MODERATOR

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

|                          |                          |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Helen M. Stearns         | Term expires March 1970  |
| Albert W. Stompe         | Resigned June 1969       |
| Stanley T. Wickey        | July 1969 to March 1970  |
| Chester Hooper, Chairman | Term Expires March 1971  |
| Joseph Steiner           | Resigned April 1969      |
| Paul M. Mayberry         | April 1969 to March 1971 |
| Frederick J. Billiel     | Term expires March 1972  |
| Erwin T. Kilgore         | Resigned December 1969   |

## AMBULANCE COMMITTEE

|                   |                       |
|-------------------|-----------------------|
| John D. O'Connell | Dr. Carl C. Compton   |
| Dr. Ansel B. True | Mrs. Norma A. Stearns |
| William H. Hawley |                       |

## KITCHEN STUDY COMMITTEE

|                                |                    |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| Carolyn B. Parenteau, Chairman | Agnes R. Wickey    |
| Stanley F. Gorzocoski          | Herbert H. Maynard |
| Edwin W. Finch                 |                    |



# MAP COMMITTEE

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|                             |                                     |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Charles M. Cooper, Chairman | Stanley T. Wickey                   |
| Robert P. Barnes            | Joseph J. Steiner, Chrm. Assessors  |
| Laurence M. Hammond         | Chester Hooper, Chrm. Finance Comm. |

## RECREATION STUDY COMMITTEE

|                        |                        |
|------------------------|------------------------|
| S. Douglas Polhemus    | Joseph A. Horak, Jr.   |
| Louis W. Foxwell       | Mrs. Edward L. Fortier |
| Mrs. William S. Messer | Wallace F. Reddy, Jr.  |
| Eugene J. Galvis       |                        |

## 1969 - 1970 JURY LIST

|                         |                        |
|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Owen Stacey             | Edward V. Tenney       |
| John Blazejewski        | Louis W. Koonz         |
| Arthur H. Bolton, Jr.   | Richard C. Herzig      |
| Raymond C. Waterman     | Hamilton S. Cregar     |
| George Mello            | William J. Baker       |
| Paul E. Chamberlin      | Edward E. Doolittle    |
| Peter E. Ladzinski, Jr. | Watson E. Black        |
| Leonard N. Lanphear     | Leon A. Bistrek        |
| Stanley P. Gorzocoski   | Duncan F. Campbell     |
| Florence A. Thompson    | David C. Cook          |
| Lucy S. Edson           | Laurence M. Hammond    |
| Alvan R. Wood           | Wayne A. Black         |
| Helen P. McCollum       | Homer F. Browning, Jr. |
| Robert H. McCollum      | Jean H. Ladzinski      |

## APPOINTMENTS BY SELECTMEN FOR 1970

## ACCOUNTANT

Ann P. James

Term expires July 1971

## CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT AND FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Howard E. Williams

## DEPUTY FIRE WARDENS

Philip M. Mann, Jr.

Paul H. Carpenter

Clesson M. Field, Jr.

## CHIEF OF POLICE

Joseph A. Horak, Jr.

## SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS

Joseph G. Morgan

Gerald C. Hicks

Stanley T. Wickey

Benjamin L. Archambo

William J. Young

Niles E. Stone

Raymond M. Barnes

Sally F. Lindgren

Edward M. Powell, Jr.

Phyllis H. Whitney

David R. Brassor

## SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS - FOR SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT

Clesson M. Field, Jr.

Frederick G. Parker

Harold F. Bigelow, Jr.

Dennis H. Williams

Harold L. Johnson

Paul E. Chamberlin, Jr.

Joseph J. DeMaria

John D. Ware

Frederick E. Clough

Kenneth J. Cort

Robert W. Gibson

Oren K. Gilbert

## SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS

Benjamin L. Archambo

Term expires June 1970

## GYPSY MOTH AGENT

Joseph S. Bilmon

## PUBLIC WEIGHERS

Robert L. Huber

Dominick J. Ferrante

Frank S. Kelley

Donald D. Smith

Edward S. Dwight

Dorothy F. Banash

Edward W. Burniske

Warren E. Whitney

James D. McCollister

## INSPECTOR OF MEAT AND SLAUGHTERING

Leonard W. Barnes

## ANIMAL INSPECTOR

Gilbert S. Hammond

Term expires April 1970

## FIELD DRIVERS

James E. Dresser, Jr.

Robert L. Gibson

Fredd M. Fuller

Martin G. Fritz

Edward C. Bolton

Paul T. Gorzocoski

## SURVEYOR OF WOOD AND TIMBER

James E. Dresser

## DOG OFFICER

William J. Young

## FOREST WARDEN

Joseph S. Bilmon

## REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Luman A. Barber

Term expires 1970

Laurence M. Hammond

Term expires 1971

John A. Hogan

Term expires 1972

## ELECTION OFFICERS

James R. Dale

Helen M. Stearns

Helen N. Greene

Harrison Stacy

Flora C. Abbey

Ann P. James

Catherine E. Gilbert

Edward M. Powell, Jr.

## SUBSTITUTE ELECTION OFFICERS

Mychaeline H. Skinner

Delores R. Avery

Mary L. Holton

Edith M. Smolen



## SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Affairs of the Town grow ever more complex and wide-ranging. This year a new nurse's car, highway truck, and police cruiser were purchased. A new heating system was installed in the Town Hall, and with the redecoration of the entrance hall and the town offices a process of gradual renovation was begun. It is hoped that in two or three years the Hall can be brought into first class condition.

Following an extensive survey a new full-time police chief was employed, appropriate equipment purchased, and with the aid of special police, 24-hour coverage instituted. The addition of radio and communications facilities awaits approval of the full or partial reimbursement by state and federal agencies. After considerable investigation a three-year contract was negotiated to provide ambulance service to residents of the Town.

The addition of the new Route 10 construction to the pumped storage project and recreational development of four separate areas in the Town generated much activity and required considerable time in considering various permits and related arrangements.

Forty-four building and mobile home permits were issued with total estimated construction costs of \$447,707.00. New additions and changes in the Land Use Protective By-law and a by-law restricting the number of unregistered cars required further hearings and special attention. Several complaints of nuisances of various kinds were dealt with. The town disposal areas received considerable attention to bring them into improved and acceptable condition. As instructed by the Town Meeting, petition was made to the Legislature for authorization to grant a license for sale of alcoholic beverages by the Northfield and Mount Hermon Schools at the Northfield Inn.

Implementation of the sewage disposal program is receiving due attention. The application for state and federal aid is completed, the acquirement of the land and rights of way is in progress, and it is hoped that construction bids can be received by mid-year.

Plans for further development of town recreational facilities are in the offing, as are steps toward a proper celebration of the Town's Tercentenary in 1973. While the presence of construction companies in the Town adds to the tax base for the time being, not the least of the Town's problems is to provide for the general increase in town services and programs at a

time of rapidly rising costs and accelerating inflation.

The work of the Selectmen has increased in complexity and amount to the point where the Town will be asked at the Annual Meeting to authorize the Board to employ one of its members as a Clerk at a nominal salary to spend six to eight daylight hours a week attending to Town affairs and business.

The Selectmen welcome suggestions for the improvement of the administration of the Town's affairs and the welfare of its citizens.

Respectfully submitted,

STANLEY J. POWERS, Chairman  
HERBERT H. STREETER  
WILLIAM H. HAWLEY

Board of Selectmen

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

It is extremely important that the Vital Statistics record be complete and correct. If any errors or omissions are discovered the Clerk will deem it a favor to have them reported at once so that any correction may be made.

As required by Chapter 46, Section 15, General Laws of Massachusetts:

Notice is hereby given that the Town Clerk will furnish blanks for returns of births to parents, householders, physicians and registered hospital officers applying for the same.

## BIRTHS RECORDED IN 1969

| DATE     | NAME                        | PARENTS                     |
|----------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| January  |                             |                             |
| 11       | Underwood, Erin Lynne       | Lawrence C. & Judith E.     |
| 18       | Peters, Kerry Frances       | John A. & Frances R.        |
| February |                             |                             |
| 2        | Nelson, Janice Lorrain      | John C. & Janice E.         |
| 6        | Mello, Brenton August       | August C. & Mary A.         |
| 21       | Fortier, David Leo          | Edward L. & Alice E.        |
| 25       | Holloway, Joni Sue          | Roger E. & Phyllis J.       |
| March    |                             |                             |
| 4        | Roth, Deborah Jo            | Dennis J., & Elizabeth B.   |
| 16       | Fellows, Graham Albert      | Verne W. & Caroline J.      |
| April    |                             |                             |
| 15       | Llewelyn, Frederick George  | Charles W., Jr. & Mary E.   |
| 24       | Leavis, Caralyn Beth        | Gordon W. Linda W.          |
| May      |                             |                             |
| 2        | Glover, Amanda Joy          | Chadwick T. & Ethyl Lynette |
| 10       | Underwood, Joel Foster      | Joel F. & Mary D.           |
| 20       | Henderson, Christopher John | Donald C., Jr. & Janice D.  |
| 23       | Shepard, Sharon Lynn        | Curtis D. & Joyce Smith     |
| June     |                             |                             |
| 5        | Black, Kelly Jeanne         | Ellsworth R. & Lois M.      |
| 14       | Whitney, John Linwood       | Ronald J. & Linda Ellen     |
| 20       | Wright, David Willoughby    | Charles W., & Virginia Ruth |
| 26       | Gibson, Jared Robert        | David R. & Betty W.         |
| July     |                             |                             |
| 10       | Bean, Richard Edward        | Edward J. & Doreen C.       |
| 24       | James, Sheila Ann           | Arthur E. & Ann P.          |
| 29       | Elie, Wayne Leroy           | Wayne L. & Donna Lee        |



|           |                            |                        |
|-----------|----------------------------|------------------------|
| August    |                            | 11                     |
| 14        | Fuller, Sharon Margaret    | Fredd M. & Margaret L. |
| September |                            |                        |
| 1         | Langlois, Dylan            | James J. & Eva S.      |
| 7         | Bassett, Joseph Carlton    | Roger E. & Donna L.    |
| 29        | Webber, Barry Richard, Jr. | Barry R. & Linda M.    |
| October   |                            |                        |
| 4         | Porter, Tammy Lynn         | William H. Barbara A.  |
| 13        | Rogers, Shirley Diane      | Robert N. & Helen M.   |
| 26        | Holsman, Kristin Eva       | Wayne A. & Eleanor A.  |
| November  |                            |                        |
| 3         | Ware, Thomas Clinton       | John D. & Shirley L.   |
| 3         | Ware, Timothy Allen        | John D. & Shirley L.   |

#### MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 1969

| DATE      | NAME & RESIDENCE                                                                             | PLACE OF MARRIAGE    |
|-----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| January - |                                                                                              |                      |
| February  |                                                                                              |                      |
| 8         | Sicard, Paul Edward, Turners Falls, Mass.<br>Noga, Carole Ann, Northfield, Mass.             | Millers Falls, Mass. |
| 15        | Vinten, Dean James, Northfield, Mass.<br>Koshinsky, Sharon Ann, Leyden, Mass.                | Greenfield, Mass.    |
| March     |                                                                                              |                      |
| 1         | Morris, Abel Jr., Erving, Mass.<br>Wheeler, Carolyn (Sacawa), Erving,<br>Mass.               | Northfield, Mass.    |
| 8         | Cort, Kenneth John, Northfield, Mass.<br>Newton, Alice (Black), Northfield, Mass.            | Northfield, Mass.    |
| 15        | Meacham, Walford L., Monson, Mass.<br>Chula, Adelia Cembalisky                               | Wilbraham, Mass.     |
| April     |                                                                                              |                      |
| 19        | Fiske, Donald Richard, Westfield, Mass.<br>Vincent, Regina Marie, Northfield, Mass.          | Northfield, Mass.    |
| 19        | Shearer, Edward D., Northfield, Mass.<br>McKenzie, Beverly J., Brattleboro, Vermont          | Brattleboro, Vermont |
| May       |                                                                                              |                      |
| 10        | Waterman, Robert Chandler, Northfield, Mass.<br>Lenois, Virginia Mary, Bernardston,<br>Mass. | Turners Falls, Mass. |
| 24        | Earle, Loren Alva, Eden, Vermont<br>Silver, Gay Lynn, Northfield, Mass.                      | No. Hyde Park, Vt.   |

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June

- 4 Tosi, Antonio P., Boston, Mass. Northfield, Mass.  
Bolton, Ellen C., Boston, Mass.
- 5 Carroll, Joseph Harold, Northfield, Northfield, Mass.  
Mass.  
Webb, Barbra Jeanette, Northfield, Mass.
- 7 Johnson, Frederick Henry, Jr., Warwick, Northfield, Mass.  
Mass.  
Davis, Judith Ann, Northfield, Mass.
- 7 Tompkins, David Alan, Vernon, Vermont Northfield, Mass.  
Livernoise, Diane Jean, Northfield, Mass.
- 7 Anderson, Robert Clayton, Brattleboro, Greenfield, Mass.  
Vermont  
McCollum, Mary Ann, Northfield, Mass.
- 8 Grigsby, Michael Eugene, Blandenburg, Gill, Mass.  
Maryland  
Remillard, Heather Marie, Northfield, Mass.
- 13 Glazier, Harry Lester, Northfield, Mass. Nahant, Mass.  
Clark, Deborah Louise, Stoneham, Mass.
- 13 Sullivan, David Jourdan, Greenfield, Mass. Northfield, Mass.  
Scott, Sally Charlotte, Northfield, Mass.
- 14 Davis, Archer Lewis, Northfield, Mass. Gill, Mass.  
Ware, Corena Minna (Adams), Brattleboro,  
Vermont
- 14 Richert, Edward Paul, Morgan Hill, Calif. Northfield, Mass.  
Tallman, Carol Ruth, Northfield, Mass.
- 28 Barnes, Michael Paul, Gill, Mass. Gill, Mass.  
Hurlburt, Cora Jane, Northfield, Mass.
- 28 Lester, Paul Joseph, Putney, Vermont Northfield, Mass.  
Howe, Barbara May, Winchester, New  
Hampshire
- 28 Howard, Norman Bruce, Bernardston, Mass. Bernardston, Mass.  
Fisher, Norma Ann, Northfield, Mass.
- 28 Putala, John Andrew, Northfield, Mass. Deerfield, Mass.  
Fisher, Christine Gladys, Northfield,  
Mass.

July

- 2 Bagnell, Roger S., III, Northfield, Mass. New Haven, Conn.  
Scofield, Whitney, Rochester, New York
- 12 Schryba, James Edward, Northfield, Mass. Northfield, Mass.  
Robb, Laurel Jeanine LaPlante,  
Winchester, New Hampshire

- 13 Livingstone, Robert David, Northfield, Mass. So. Yarmouth,  
Shafer, Carol Barton, South Dennis, Mass. Mass.
- 26 Parker, Kenneth Paul, Jr., South Northfield, Mass.  
Royalston, Mass.  
Phillips, Bonnie Jean, Northfield, Mass.

## August

- 2 Brooks, Richard Charles, New Salem, Mass. Northfield, Mass.  
Powers, Judith Marie, Northfield, Mass.
- 2 Kinsman, Ernest David, Hinsdale, N.H. Northfield, Mass.  
Denyou, Audrey Ruth, Townsend, Vermont
- 2 Maynard, Howard Herrmann, Northfield, Northfield, Mass.  
Mass.  
Mann, Joanne Ruth, Northfield, Mass.
- 16 Dubrule, James Edward, Athol, Mass. Vernon, Vermont  
Taylor, Elisabeth Virginia Holton,  
Northfield, Mass.
- 23 Bistrek, Thadd Wright, Northfield, Mass. Greenfield, Mass.  
Dinsmore, Pamela Rose, Greenfield, Mass.
- 27 Baldwin, John David, Northfield, Mass. Gill, Mass.  
Stone, Nancy Jean, Greenfield, Mass.

## September

- 6 Robbins, Donald Oren, Northfield, Mass. Northfield, Mass.  
Kavanaugh, Patricia Eileen, Northfield,  
Mass.
- 13 Wood, Paul Douglas, Northfield, Mass. Bernardston, Mass.  
Blake, Darleyne Ann, Bernardston, Mass.
- 20 Scott, Jerry Stuart, Northfield, Mass. Northfield, Mass.  
Stoddard, Brenda Mary, Pelham, Mass.
- 28 Gore, Robert Earle, Northampton, Mass. Northampton, Mass.  
Williams, Deborah Jean, Northfield, Mass.

## October

- 11 Bilmon, Joseph Stanley, Northfield, Mass. Vernon, Vermont  
Melnik, Stella Lernatowitz, Wapping, Conn.
- 19 DeMaria, Joseph John, Greenfield, Mass. Turners Falls,  
Forrest, Marguerite Veronica Mass.
- 25 Jackman, Wayne Charles, Vernon, Vermont Northfield, Mass.  
Silver, Sherry Lee, Northfield, Mass.

## November

- 1 Otero, Genero Otero, West Brattleboro, Northfield, Mass.  
Vermont  
Holloway, Sandra Jean, Northfield, Mass.



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December

- 12 Hartwell, Edward Allan, Northfield, Mass. Greenfield, Mass.  
Griffin, Kathleen Mary, Bernardston,  
Mass.
- 13 Malugen, William Bernaar, Greenfield, Northfield, Mass.  
Mass.  
Peskor, Marguerite Mary Lemoine,  
Montague, Mass.
- 20 Bordonaro, Charles Thomas, Somers, Conn. Northfield, Mass.  
Sullivan, Donna Lee, Bernardston, Mass.
- 20 Nelson, Cola Richard, Jr., Bernardston, Bernardston, Mass.  
Mass.  
Hatheway, Mary, Northfield, Mass.
- 20 Plansker, Richard Cornelius, Keene, N.H. Northfield, Mass.  
Benjamin, Dale Ellen Bliss, Keene, N.H.
- 20 Smith, David Alan, Petersburg, New York Northfield, Mass.  
Johnson, Pamela Thomas, Antrim, N.H.
- 27 Sanders, Gene Emerson, Sunderland, Mass. Northfield, Mass.  
Tillson, Margaret Edith, Northfield, Mass.

# DEATHS RECORDED IN 1969

| DATE     | NAME                                 | AGE   |        |      |
|----------|--------------------------------------|-------|--------|------|
|          |                                      | YEARS | MONTHS | DAYS |
| January  |                                      |       |        |      |
| 28       | Warner, Sarah Ellen                  | 92    | 0      | 13   |
| February |                                      |       |        |      |
| 7        | Field, Clifford Allen                | 81    | 2      | 24   |
| 10       | Tenney, Charles Sumner               | 83    | 3      | 16   |
| 10       | Webber, Louis Adelbert               | 83    | 0      | 9    |
| 11       | George, Bessie Putnam                | 90    | 6      | 28   |
| 12       | Perry, Ola (Prouty)                  | 95    | 10     | 15   |
| 24       | McDonald, Hazel Black                | 52    | 4      | 24   |
| March    |                                      |       |        |      |
| 8        | Clark, Carl Raymond                  | 69    | 4      | 4    |
| 29       | Lombard, Frank Sylvanus              | 64    | 4      | 25   |
| April    |                                      |       |        |      |
| 18       | Clough, Charles R.                   | 55    | 1      | 12   |
| 25       | very, Viola Gaines(Billings)         | 62    | 10     | 8    |
| June     |                                      |       |        |      |
| 9        | MacDonald, Samuel B.                 | 76    | 5      | 28   |
| 11       | Schryba, Mary Koshinska<br>(Szczrba) | 75    | 9      | 21   |

|          |                          |    |            |
|----------|--------------------------|----|------------|
| July     |                          |    |            |
| 18       | Strout, Rose A. (Richer) | 87 | 11 14      |
| August   |                          |    |            |
| 5        | Bonney, Mabel Lyman      | 96 | 4 19       |
| October  |                          |    |            |
| 21       | Billings, Roger          | 88 | 10 29      |
| November |                          |    |            |
| 3        | Ware, Timothy Alan       | 0  | 0 18 hours |
| 7        | Smith, Paula             | 23 | 5 13       |
| 9        | Bistrek, Lois Bowker     | 50 | 7 1        |
| 20       | Porter, Ralph Woodbury   | 79 | 6 11       |
| 27       | Pollock, Augusta Mueller | 74 | 6 22       |
| December |                          |    |            |
| 27       | Wood, Laura Maude (Hall) | 85 | 7 6        |

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DOG LICENSES ISSUED IN 1969

|                          |     |
|--------------------------|-----|
| Male Dogs                | 114 |
| Female                   | 16  |
| Female (Spayed)          | 76  |
| Special Kennel (\$10.00) | 5   |
| Special Kennel (\$25.00) | 1   |

SPORTING LICENSES ISSUED IN 1969

|                                   |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| Resident Fishing                  | 72 |
| Resident Hunting                  | 93 |
| Resident Sporting                 | 80 |
| Resident Minor Fishing            | 30 |
| Resident Women's Fishing          | 37 |
| 7-Day Non-Resident Fishing        | 5  |
| Non-Resident Fishing              | 31 |
| Resident Minor Trapping           | 1  |
| Non-Resident Hunting              | 8  |
| Archery Deer Stamp                | 2  |
| Resident Sporting (Free)          | 17 |
| Duplicate                         | 1  |
| Resident Citizen's Fishing (Free) | 2  |

OTHER LICENSES AND PERMITS ISSUED IN 1969

|                        |   |                 |   |
|------------------------|---|-----------------|---|
| Auctioneer             | 2 | Innholder       | 2 |
| Auctioneer (Temporary) | 1 | Milk            | 2 |
| Common Victualler      | 3 | Raffles-Bazaars | 1 |
| Gasoline               | 3 |                 |   |

## ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

March 3 and 4, 1969

The polls were declared open at ten A.M. and closed at eight P.M., March 3rd and it was determined that 551 votes had been cast with the following results:

|                                          |     |
|------------------------------------------|-----|
| Town Clerk, one year                     |     |
| Horace F. Field                          | 534 |
| Blanks                                   | 17  |
| Moderator, one year                      |     |
| Corys M. Heselton                        | 519 |
| Blanks                                   | 32  |
| Selectman, three years                   |     |
| William H. Hawley                        | 404 |
| John A. Hogan                            | 140 |
| Blanks                                   | 7   |
| Treasurer, one year                      |     |
| Delores R. Avery                         | 513 |
| Blanks                                   | 38  |
| Tax Collector, three years               |     |
| Gordon W. Leavis                         | 492 |
| Blanks                                   | 59  |
| Assessor, three years                    |     |
| Joseph J. Steiner                        | 492 |
| Blanks                                   | 59  |
| Elementary School Committee, three years |     |
| Frank W. Rockwell                        | 489 |
| Frances R. Peters                        | 1   |
| Blanks                                   | 61  |
| P.V.R.S. Committee, three years          |     |
| Roy J. Fish                              | 377 |
| Kenneth H. Walker                        | 166 |
| Blanks                                   | 8   |
| Library Trustees, (2) three years        |     |
| Margaret L. Jones                        | 412 |
| George M. Leonard                        | 484 |
| Blanks                                   | 206 |
| Cemetery Commissioner, three years       |     |
| Richard H. Bassett                       | 510 |
| Blanks                                   | 41  |
| Planning Board, five years               |     |
| David G. Quinn                           | 512 |
| Blanks                                   | 39  |
| Planning Board, one year                 |     |
| Charles M. Cooper                        | 497 |
| Blanks                                   | 54  |

After the announcement of the results, the meeting was closed, to be reopened on Tuesday, March 4, 1969 in accordance with the Warrant.

Attest: Horace F. Field, Town Clerk



COPY OF THE VOTES TAKEN AT THE  
ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

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March 4, 1969

Five hundred voters assembled in accordance with the Warrant on March 4th, to conduct the business of the Annual Town Meeting. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Mr. Corys M. Heselton at 7:00 P.M. The invocation was given by the Reverend Louis W. Foxwell, Jr. The Cub Scouts and the Brownies led the flag ceremony. The reading of the Record was waived. James R. Dale and Mrs. Helen M. Stearns were appointed to serve as tellers.

Consideration of the Articles in the Warrant had the following results:

Article 1. VOTED: To take no action on the reports as printed in the Town Report.

Article 2. VOTED: To authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1969; and to issue a note or notes thereof, payable within one year, and to renew such notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws; any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1969.

Article 3. VOTED: To empower the Selectmen to defend the Town in any suit brought against the Town.

Article 4. VOTED: That the Moderator read the amounts recommended by the Finance Committee as salaries of elected officials, and also read the totals of all other amounts recommended by the Finance Committee to be raised and appropriated under this article, and unless objection is made, each item recommended in the report of the Finance Committee shall be tentatively accepted as appropriated for the purpose stated. If objection is made to any recommendation such appropriation shall be taken up separately and the amount thereof and the manner of raising the same shall be determined by vote of the meeting and tentatively accepted, and after all appropriations have been tentatively accepted, one vote shall be taken appropriating each amount so accepted as a single appropriation, not to be exceeded.

VOTED: That the salary of each elected official for the calendar year 1969 be fixed at the amount hereafter appropriated therefor.

VOTED: That all appropriations having been tentatively accepted, one vote be taken appropriating each amount accepted as a single appropriation not to be exceeded.

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| Moderator - Salary                          | \$ 35.00   |
| Moderator Expense                           | 15.00      |
| Finance Committee Expense                   | 75.00      |
| Selectmen's Salaries                        | 2150.00    |
| Selectmen's Expense                         | 750.00     |
| Selectmen's Secretary                       | 1600.00    |
| Town Accountant Salary                      | 1200.00    |
| Town Accountant Expense                     | 100.00     |
| Treasurer Salary                            | 1500.00    |
| Treasurer Expense                           | 500.00     |
| Tax Collector Salary                        | 1200.00    |
| Tax Collector Expense                       | 800.00     |
| Assessors' Salaries                         | 1775.00    |
| Assessors' Expense                          | 800.00     |
| Town Clerk Salary                           | 850.00     |
| Town Clerk Expense                          | 100.00     |
| Planning Board Expense                      | 200.00     |
| Elections and Registration                  | 1000.00    |
| Town Hall Maintenance                       | 7000.00    |
| Elementary School Committee Salaries        | 375.00     |
| P.V.R.S. Committee Salaries                 | 375.00     |
| Elementary School Operating                 | 194,193.00 |
| P.V.R.S. Capital                            | 19,181.00  |
| P.V.R.S. Operating                          | 212,735.76 |
| Soldiers' Relief                            | 2000.00    |
| Legal Expense                               | 350.00     |
| Constable, Sp. Police Pay, Expense & Equip. | 3400.00    |
| Fire Dept. Salaries                         | 500.00     |
| Fire Dept. Operating                        | 6000.00    |
| Fire Dept. Hose and Equipment               | 1400.00    |
| Hydrants                                    | 500.00     |
| Water Holes                                 | 400.00     |
| Fire Station & Town Garage Maint.           | 2000.00    |
| Tree Warden, Trimming & Planting            | 1200.00    |
| Dutch Elm Control                           | 3000.00    |
| Insect & Pest Control                       | 850.00     |
| Dog Officer & Expense                       | 250.00     |
| Civil Expense                               | 100.00     |
| Public Health                               | 2000.00    |
| Nurse and Substitute                        | 6150.00    |
| Part-time Nurse                             | 1000.00    |
| Clerk for Nursing Service                   | 2800.00    |
| Nurse's Expense                             | 670.00     |
| Nurse's Car Expense                         | 500.00     |
| Inspection of Animals                       | 450.00     |
| Inspection of Meat and Slaughter            | 50.00      |
| Public Safety                               | 50.00      |
| Wire Inspector                              | 25.00      |
| Highway Superintendent Expense              | 200.00     |
| Highway Tools                               | 400.00     |

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|----------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Highway Sick Leave, Vacations & Holidays     | 2200.00   |
| Highway Bridges and Railings                 | 3000.00   |
| Sidewalks                                    | 500.00    |
| Snow Removal                                 | 10,000.00 |
| Street Lights                                | 6900.00   |
| Highway Bounds, Surveys, Plans & Street List | 350.00    |
| Town Reports                                 | 849.89    |
| Memorial & Veterans Day Observances          | 350.00    |
| Alexander Hall                               | 1468.50   |
| Fire & Casualty Insurance                    | 8000.00   |
| Chapter 32B Insurance                        | 3500.00   |
| Interest                                     | 100.00    |
| Town Clock                                   | 100.00    |
| Tax Title Foreclosure Costs                  | 500.00    |
| Protection Tax Title Property                | 25.00     |
| Land Damage                                  | 600.00    |
| Repairs to Discontinued School Houses        | 100.00    |
| Fence Viewers, Field Drivers, Pound Keeper   | 25.00     |
| Athletic Field Maintenance                   | 400.00    |
| Swimming Pool                                | 1200.00   |
| Cemeteries                                   | 2600.00   |
| Fire Station Bonds Maturing Debt             | 3000.00   |
| Interest                                     | 396.00    |

At this time Selectman Stanley Powers paid a tribute to Mrs. Norma Stearns, Mr. Charles Llewelyn, Mr. Edgar Livingston and Mr. Dwight Stearns in recognition of services rendered as Town officials.

The Reverend Philip N. Nelson read the following memorial, which is included in the record by vote of the Meeting.

'It is altogether fitting as we are assembled here in Town Meeting, that we remember and honor those of our number who have departed our company following long and faithful service to the Town of Northfield. George Carr, Selectman and Head of Welfare; Charles Tenney, Selectman; Louis Webber, Selectman; Clifford Field, Assessor; these are but a few of those who gave of their energies to the people of the Town. Their services shall not be forgotten.

Also, during this past year, we were deeply saddened by the sound of taps when Martin Given and Frederick Parker returned to Northfield from Vietnam, having given their very lives in the service of a grateful Nation, bringing honor to their families and Northfield. These men had not the chance to serve their town in the manner of the older men mentioned, but their sacrifice in their youth makes it all the more important that we salute them and their families, and strive to protect our freedoms and accept our responsibilities as honorably as they protected our freedom and accepted their responsibilities.



Northfield could become the poorer if we but memorialized them at this time; but Northfield may become the richer, if we not only remember them, but remember them as examples worthy of following.

To all their families, and to the families of all other sons and daughters of Northfield, native or adopted, who have passed this way leaving their mark, may we express our profound gratitude and sympathy.

May we bow our heads in a moment of silent prayer in their behalf.

Let us pray.

Amen.'

VOTED: That the Meeting take up Article 21 for discussion and vote at this time; that discussion be limited to three minutes for each speaker; that the vote on the motion be by written ballot; and that the voting in this motion continue until 10:00 P.M.

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| Article 21. VOTED BY WRITTEN BALLOT | YES    | 287 |
|                                     | NO     | 212 |
|                                     | BLANKS | 1   |

That the Town instruct the Selectmen to petition the Legislature for permission to grant a license under the provisions of Chapter 138, Section 11, Subsection D, which reads "for the sale of all alcoholic beverages by hotels, having a dining room capacity of not less than fifty rooms," such permission to remain in effect until the next Biennial election.

VOTED: To take action on Articles 38, 39, and 40 at this time.

Article 38. VOTED: That the Town accept from the Northfield Schools the sum of ninety-two thousand two hundred fifty dollars (\$92,250.00) or such lesser amount as may be necessary to meet the Town's share of constructing sewage treatment and disposal facilities and the north interceptor sewer and west interceptor sewer as far as the Parker Avenue outlet related thereto; such gift to be used to reduce any indebtedness incurred in connection with such project.

Article 39. VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred sixty-nine thousand dollars (\$369,000.00) for the construction of sewage treatment and disposal facilities and related interceptor sewers for the Town of Northfield. To meet this appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow such sum in accordance with the provisions of Section 8, Clause 15 of Chapter 44 of

the General Laws and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor, said amount to be borrowed to be reduced by any gift received from the Northfield Schools for this purpose and by any Federal or State funds received as a contribution toward the cost of this project; the Selectmen being hereby authorized to make application for any Federal or State grants available and to sign any and all documents, applications and contracts or other instruments that may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this vote.

Article 40. VOTED: That the Town acquire by purchase or take by eminent domain the following described parcel of land situated in Northfield for the purpose of constructing thereon sewage treatment and disposal facilities and related interceptor sewers:

Parcel #1

Beginning at the southeasterly corner of Parcel #1 at the junction of the northerly sideline of Meadow Street and the westerly sideline of the Vermont Central Railroad layout; thence westerly along the northerly sideline of Meadow Street to the easterly sideline of Frank B. Podlenski (Franklin County Registry of Deeds, Book 861, Page 130); thence northerly along the easterly property line of said Frank B. Podlenski to the northeast corner of said parcel; thence continuing northerly an additional 50 feet on the last described course to a point, being the northwest corner of Parcel #1; thence easterly along the northerly sideline of Parcel #1 on a line that is parallel to and 50 feet northerly of the northerly sideline (projected) of the Frank B. Podlenski parcel to the westerly sideline of the Vermont Central Railroad; thence southerly along the westerly sideline of the Vermont Central Railroad to the point of beginning, containing 5 acres, more or less, and being the southerly portion of land now or formerly owned by Wilbur Podlenski under deed in the Franklin County Registry of Deeds, Book 867, Page 109.

Reserving to the grantor an easement for all purposes over Parcel #1 for access to his remaining land located to the northwest of Parcel #1 and westerly of Parcel #2, hereinafter described.

Parcel #2

Beginning at a point marking the northwesterly corner of Parcel #1; thence westerly along a line that is parallel to and 50 feet northerly of the northerly property line of Frank B. Podlenski (Franklin County Registry of Deeds, Book 861, Page 130) for a distance of three hundred (300) feet to a point; thence northerly along a line that is parallel to and 300 feet easterly of the westerly property line of Wilbur Podlenski as described in Book 867, Page 109, to a point on the southwesterly sideline of the Vermont Central Railroad;

thence southeasterly and southerly along the sideline of the Vermont Central Railroad to a point that is on the easterly projection of the first course hereinbefore described; thence southwesterly along a line that is the easterly projection of the first course hereinbefore described to the point of beginning, containing 4 acres, more or less, and being a triangular piece of land that is the northeasterly portion of land now or formerly owned by Wilbur Podlenski under deed in the Franklin County Registry of Deeds, Book 867, Page 109; and that the sum of \$3,000.00 be appropriated therefor.

Article 5. VOTED: That the Town authorize the Assessors to appoint one of their members as clerk of the Board under the provisions of Section 4a, Chapter 41 of the General Laws, or employ a clerk; and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1100.00 to pay the salary of such clerk.

Article 6. VOTED: That the Town authorize the Selectmen to enter into contract with the Board of Public Works, Division of Highways, for repair and improvement of roads and highways, exclusive of State Highways, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7000.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highway repair and improvement and that the sum of \$18,150.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursement from the State to be restored upon its receipt to unappropriated funds in the treasury.

Article 7. VOTED: That the sum of \$28,800.00 be appropriated to meet the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Construction, and to meet said appropriation, the sum of \$7,200.00 be appropriated from taxation, and the sum of \$21,600.00 be transferred from free cash in the treasury to meet the State's and the County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursement from the State and the County to be restored upon receipt to the excess and deficiency account.

Article 8. VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$3000.00 to meet the Town's share of Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance, and that the sum of \$6,000.00 be transferred from unappropriated funds in the treasury to meet the State and County shares, the reimbursement upon receipt to be restored to unappropriated funds in the treasury.

Article 9. VOTED: That the sum of \$11,000.00 be transferred from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Maintenance Account.

Article 10. VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 for the use of Field Library at Northfield Farms.



Article 11. VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$7827.00 for the operation of Dickinson Memorial Library.

Article 12. VOTED: To accept and appropriate the sum of \$328.83 received from the County, known as the "Dog Fund", for the Dickinson Memorial Library.

Article 13. VOTED: To accept the sum of \$580.00 from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as a grant providing State Aid for Free Public Libraries under provisions of Chapter 760 of the Acts of 1960 and to appropriate this sum so received for Northfield's public libraries.

Article 14. VOTED: To raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to be used to purchase fish to be liberated in the streams of Northfield under the supervision of the Selectmen.

Article 15. VOTED: That the Town purchase a new Highway Department dump truck and related equipment; and to meet the cost thereof, the sum of \$10,500.00 be raised by taxation and the balance be provided by trading the existing 1962 Ford dump truck and one sander now used by the Highway Department.

Article 16. VOTED: That the Selectmen be authorized to dispose of the Reo Fire truck chassis.

Article 17. VOTED: That the Town purchase a new car for the use of the public health nurse and to meet the cost thereof, the sum of \$2000.00 be raised by taxation and the balance provided by trading the existing 1962 Falcon car used by the nurse.

Article 18. VOTED: That the Moderator be authorized to appoint a committee to study and make recommendations on the Town Hall kitchen and dining facilities.

Article 19. VOTED: To authorize the Selectmen to hire a caretaker and to provide the necessary services required to control the Town Dump, and that the sum of \$2000.00 be raised and appropriated for costs thereof.

Article 20. VOTED: That the Selectmen be authorized to accept from the County of Franklin, a sum of money for the suppressing of pests under Chapter 132 or for Dutch Elm Disease control.

Article 22. VOTED: To approve an amendment to the Pioneer Valley Regional School District Agreement, which amendment shall change the date of the annual public budget hearing from "the second Thursday of November" to "on or before November 30th."

Article 23. VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum

of \$250.00 to be used by the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars to purchase markers to be placed on the graves of veterans in the cemeteries of Northfield.

Article 24. VOTED: That the Town adopt the following by-law:  
(By a unanimous voice vote of approximately 500 voters)

Unregistered Motor Vehicles

Section 1. The keeping of more than one unregistered motor vehicle, assembled or disassembled, except by a person licensed under General Laws, Chapter 140, Section 59, on any premises shall not be permitted unless said motor vehicle is stored within an enclosed building.

Section 2. A special permit to keep more than one unregistered motor vehicle on any premises not within an enclosed building, after a duly called public hearing to which all abutters to the premises have received notice, may be granted by the Board of Selectmen, if it finds that such keeping (1) is in harmony with the general purpose and intent of this By-Law; (2) will not adversely affect the neighborhood; and (3) will not be a nuisance.

Section 3. All such special permits granted shall limit the number of unregistered motor vehicles to be kept on the premises by the permit holder, shall not run with the land, and shall be limited to a reasonable length of time.

Section 4. This article shall not apply to motor vehicles which are designed and used for farming purposes, nor shall this article apply to landowners or tenants who store motor vehicles out of sight of both abutters and public ways.

Section 5. Whoever violates any provisions of this Article of the By-Laws shall be liable to a penalty of Five Dollars (\$5.00) per day for each day of violation commencing ten days following date of receipt of written notice from the Board of Selectmen.

Boston, Massachusetts          June 3, 1969

The foregoing amendment to by-laws adopted under Article 24 is approved.

Attest:

A true copy

Robert H. Quinn  
Attorney General

Article 25. VOTED: That the Town instruct the Selectmen to dispose of the parcel of land known as the Side Hill Lot.

Article 26. VOTED: That the Town transfer from Overlay Reserve,

the sum of \$5000.00 for a Reserve Fund for the current year.

Article 27. VOTED: That the Town transfer the sum of \$10,000.00 from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to be used by the Assessors in determining the 1969 Tax Rate.

Article 28. VOTED: To change the term of the Town Treasurer from one year to three years.

Article 29. VOTED: To accept the sum of \$100.00 for perpetual care of Mount Hermon Cemetery Lot #1 from the estate of William Eberhardt.

Article 30. VOTED: To transfer the sum of \$10,000.00 from Overlay Surplus to the Stabilization Fund.

Article 31. VOTED: That the Town employ a police officer; and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,600.00 to pay salary, purchase a vehicle and necessary equipment, and to pay vehicle operating expenses.

Article 32. VOTED: That the Town instruct the Moderator to appoint a committee to study the ambulance problem and make recommendations at a future annual or special Town Meeting.

Article 33. VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate \$245.00 for unpaid accounts of 1969.

Article 34. VOTED: That the Selectmen be authorized to appoint a committee of five to act as an investigating committee to determine the procedures necessary for planning a Tercentenary Celebration for the Town in 1973. This Committee shall make a progress report at the next regular or special Town Meeting for possible further action.

Article 35. VOTED: That the Assessors be instructed to print a Tax Valuation Book in years divisible by five.

Article 36. VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1500.00 to be expended under the direction of the Planning Board for the purpose of preparing a Master Plan.

Article 37. VOTED: That the Town authorize additions and changes in the street lights as per plan on file with the Selectmen, and that the sum of \$368.00 be raised and appropriated for this purpose.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 P.M.

ATTEST:

HORACE F. FIELD, Town Clerk



## SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

September 8, 1969

About one hundred fifty inhabitants of the Town of Northfield met at the Town Hall in accordance to Warrant as posted for the Special Town Meeting. Mr. Corys M. Heselton, Moderator, called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. and the invocation was given by Reverend Arthur Green. Action was taken as follows:

Article 1. VOTED: That the Town accept from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Public Works, the sum of \$9,014.80 to be expended in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 616 of the Acts of 1967.

Article 2. DEFEATED: Motions to dispose of property and Community Building known as Schoolhouse #4.

Article 3. VOTED: That the Town accept such sum of money as may be awarded to it by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, as provided by the Federal Highway Safety Program, to be used to reimburse the Town for costs incurred in acquiring a police cruiser with related communication and speed detection equipment.

Article 4. VOTED: That the Town transfer from available funds the sum of \$1400.00 to provide additional insurance on town property to raise the amount of such insurance to eighty per cent of the actual cash value of the property insured.

Article 5. VOTED: That the Town transfer from the machinery fund to the machinery maintenance fund, the sum of \$600.00.

Article 6. VOTED: That the Town amend the Protective Regulations By-Law, by adding the following provisions thereto:

1. To Section 5(a), which states that lot frontage on a public way shall be 125 feet minimum and lot depth 100 feet minimum, add the following provision: The minimum lot area shall be 11,000 square feet.

The vote was unanimous.

2. a. To Section 4(b), entitled Unacceptable Land Uses, add the following provision: Land will not be used for single mobile homes or trailers except as provided by Section 6(b).

b. To Section 6(b), entitled Building and Construction Permits, add the following provision: A special permit for a mobile home or trailer may be issued by the Selectmen as an exception subject to review and approval by the Board of Appeals.

The vote was 89 yes, 10 no.

3. To Section 5, Intensity Regulations, add the following provisions:

(e) Multi-family dwellings for three or more families are subject to the following requirements:

(1) Applicants for building and construction permits under Section 6(b) will submit with their application a site plan, prepared by a registered engineer or architect, showing proposed structures with floor and elevation plans, and the provisions for access to the site, parking facilities, landscaping, drainage, water, electricity, and sewage disposal.

(2) Any building, construction or development approved under this Section must conform to the requirements of all other Sections of this By-law.

(3) For a building or structure containing three dwelling units, the total lot area will not be less than 18,000 square feet. For each dwelling unit in excess of three, the total lot area will contain an additional 2,000 square feet.

(4) For each dwelling unit there will be not less than 1,000 square feet of open ground space other than that occupied by structures, driveways, and parking areas.

(5) Building height shall not exceed thirty-five feet, as measured by vertical distance from the mean finished grade of adjoining ground to the highest point of the roof for flat or shed roofs, the deck line for mansard roofs, the mean height between eaves and ridge for gable, hip, and gambrel roofs. Not included are spires, cupolas, TV antennae, or other parts of structures which do not enclose potentially habitable floor space.

(6) The building or structure must be directly accessible from a way laid out not less than sixty feet wide.

(7) Applications made under this Section 5(e) will be submitted to the Board of Appeals for consideration under the provisions of Chapter 40A, Section 17, as amended, providing for notice to abutters and a public hearing.

The vote was 78 yes, 8 no.

4. To Section 6, General Regulations add the following provision: Signs, billboards or other advertising devices, free standing or affixed to any structure not directly related to the sign, billboard or other advertising device, with an area greater than twelve square feet are prohibited except by special permit of the Board of Appeals, to be issued subject to the provisions of Chapter 40A, Section 17, General Laws of

Massachusetts, as amended, providing for notice to abutters and a public hearing.

The vote was unanimous.

Article 7. VOTED: That the sum of \$900.00 be transferred from available funds, to repair the roof of the Dickinson Memorial Library.

Article 8. VOTED: That the Moderator appoint a committee to study the need and possible provisions for an assessor's real estate map for the Town and related indices, the Chairman of the Board of Assessors and of the Finance Committee be members ex officio.

Article 9. VOTED: That the Selectmen of the Town be authorized to enter into a contract with David Quinn of Northfield, Massachusetts, or his nominee, to provide ambulance service to residents of the Town; such contract to be for a term of not more than three (3) years at \$4,550.00 per year, and on such other terms and conditions as the Selectmen shall determine, and that the sum of \$1,520.00 be transferred from available funds to pay the cost of such service pursuant to such contract for the balance of 1969.

Article 10. VOTED: That the Town accept from the Northfield and Mount Hermon Schools, a Massachusetts corporation, the sum of \$615.00 to be applied to any expenditure to be made under any contract authorized by the Town for ambulance service in 1969.

Article 11. VOTED: That the Moderator appoint a committee of seven interested persons to make inventory of the recreational facilities and programs of the Town for all age groups, and particularly for young people, and make a report thereof at the next annual Town Meeting together with recommendations for the use or development of existing or proposed facilities and programs.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 P.M.

ATTEST:

HORACE F. FIELD

Town Clerk



## REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

The sewage disposal work currently under way has brought out the fact that Federal and State reimbursement can be dependent upon the Town having a Master Plan, which, if purchased directly could cost in the order of \$30,000. The potential Federal reimbursements which require a Master Plan in connection with a complete sewer system for the Town could be many times this amount. We have, however, been advised by the County Planner's Office that a much lesser expenditure made in cooperation with work which they will undertake on our behalf should provide all necessary information. Acting on their advice the Town obtained from the Federal Soil Conservation Service, as the first step toward a Master Plan, a Land Use report- at a cost of \$1500. On the advice of the County Planner we now recommend that a sum of about \$2000. be made available each year for the next three years to be combined with funds from the County Planning Board to develop the basic information needed for a Master Plan for Northfield.

The Planning Board prepared articles for the annual Town Meeting (a) limiting the number of unlicensed automobiles stored out of doors, (b) providing funding and authorization for a sewage disposal plant and intercepting sewers.

In preparation for the special Town Meeting of September 8, a hearing was held on August 25 to consider proposed changes in the Protective Regulation By-law (a) to define more exactly the minimum lot area, (b) to establish provisions for land use for multiple family dwellings. The proposed changes were approved by the Special Town Meeting.

HAROLD NEWTON

Chairman

## REPORT OF DOG OFFICER

During the past year forty-one dogs were picked up. Twenty were returned to their owners, sixteen were kept the required ten days and destroyed, and five had been hit by cars and were taken care of.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM J. YOUNG  
Dog Officer

## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICES REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
Northfield, Mass.

Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith is a report of the activities of the Department of Veterans' Services of the Central Franklin County District and the Veterans' Benefits Department of the Town of Northfield from January 1, 1969 thru December 1, 1969.

## SUMMARY OF CONTACTS

|                            |       |
|----------------------------|-------|
| 1. Active Service Problems | 58    |
| 2. Bonus                   | 215   |
| 3. Compensation            | 114   |
| 4. Death Benefits          | 319   |
| 5. Discharges              | 145   |
| 6. Education               | 126   |
| 7. Employment              | 141   |
| 8. Finance                 | 461   |
| 9. Housing                 | 5     |
| 10. Insurance              | 98    |
| 11. Legal                  | 46    |
| 12. Loans                  | 54    |
| 13. Medical                | 545   |
| 14. Notarizations          | 25    |
| 15. Pension                | 599   |
| 16. Photostats             | 5959  |
| 17. Recordings             | 73    |
| 18. Selective Service      | 45    |
| 19. Social Security        | 28    |
| 20. Taxes                  | 409   |
| 21. Veterans' Benefits     | 5039  |
| 22. Vital Statistics       | 150   |
| 23. Unclassified           | 386   |
| Total Contacts             | 15040 |

The figures above represent contacts for all the former servicemen and women in the various communities in the district.

The Veterans' Benefits Department of the Town of Northfield provided financial assistance to one case during the year 1969. This case has been on our rolls since mid summer and it is classified as a permanent responsibility. Gross expenditures

for 1969 should amount to \$1023.90. It is expected that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts will reimburse the town in the amount of \$511.95 in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 115 as amended, Massachusetts General Laws.

Respectfully submitted,  
TOWN OF NORTHFIELD

By: HOMER L. GAMELIN  
Director of Veterans'  
Services & Veterans'  
Agent

#### REPORT OF FIRE CHIEF

During the past year we conducted a ten-week training course which has included pumping, hose laying, ladder work, Scott air pack practice, ventilation, oil and electric fire fighting, resuscitation and fire fighting in general. We have bought the usual amount of hose and equipment to keep our department in good condition.

The Firemen's Association put on fund raising programs which was spent as follows; a new portable radio \$700, a line thrower \$300, electrified the booster lines on the Ford truck \$400. These made no expense to the town and should be beneficial to everyone.

There were no major fires for which we are grateful. This shows that the public is very much aware of fire hazards and are taking measures to prevent them. I am very grateful to everyone for their cooperation in preserving the town property.

Respectfully submitted,  
HOWARD WILLIAMS

Fire Chief



## REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Because of a rather wet year or a well proportioned rainfall, our brush and woodland fires were not too numerous. We had some trouble with railroad fires at spring time. The fire calls for the dump were fewer this year than for quite a few years. This is due to the way the dump has been taken care of and the cooperation of all who use it.

Public realization in getting fire permits has been very good. The N. E. Utilities have been cutting the right of way for the power lines which start at the New Hampshire boundary and go south to the Erving line. The trees and brush cut has to be burned. The job will probably been completed by spring.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD WILLIAMS

Forest Fire Warden

## REPORT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Fire drills have been performed at the Public Schools and results were very good and orderly. Fire extinguishers at schools and public places were checked and refilled. Storage of inflammable fluid tanks were checked to make sure they were safe. Public buildings have been checked and where hazardous conditions were found notice was given and conditions rectified.

The fire station has been manned when notice of a possible disaster has been given such as electrical storms, heavy snow, high winds and when burning index reaches a dangerous point.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD WILLIAMS

Public Safety Inspector

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT

To the Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Northfield:

The Chapter 90 Construction Program for this year was confined to the Mount Hermon Road, a continuance of the 1968 project that was started. A frost heave problem was solved by replacing the clay material with bank gravel. Also a blind ditch was filled with crushed rock. The road was resurfaced with bituminous concrete and four hundred feet of Flex-beam guard rail was installed. No new work was started this year.

The following improvements have been made on Chapter 81:

Three roads were resurfaced with bituminous concrete: Moody street; Holton Street, and Highland Avenue.

Ten roads were resurfaced with liquid bituminous.

Hamilton Drive

Graded, gravelled and resurfaced with liquid bituminous to complete the project on that road.

Holton Street

The hazardous crown by the Hotel was graded and gravelled and resurfaced with bituminous concrete. Catch basin was raised.

Orange Road

Three new metal culverts were installed, ditches were cleaned, roadbed was gravelled and graded.

New Plain Road

Tree stumps were removed to relieve the blind corner at the intersection of Beers Plain Road.

All roads were mowed throughout town.

Because of the undue amount of heavy rains this past spring and summer, a great amount of time and money had to be spent on washouts.

Chapter 90 Maintenance

East Northfield Road was resurfaced with bituminous concrete. Warwick Road and Gulf Road were surface sealed with liquid bituminous.

Lane marking was done this year. Cleaning of drains and painting of guard rails.

I wish to thank the Selectmen and the townspeople for acquiring the new dump truck and sander body, replacing the older one.

At their personal expense, the Highway Department purchased and installed a radio system for Highway Department communication. This contribution will increase the efficiency of our operations, especially during snow plowing. The Department is grateful for these voluntary contributions and requests that the Town contribute to the maintenance of the system.

Thank you all for notifying this Department of dangerous or hazardous conditions on the roads.

I also wish to thank my men for doing a good job throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN L. ARCHAMBO

Superintendent of Streets

#### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS

Permits were issued as follows:

- (a) top-soil removal of 3 inches on two acres to Harold Newton
- (b) Northfield Sand and Gravel for road fill from Davis property
- (c) Frank Podlenski for road fill to be taken from the Steven's farm
- (d) Linden Hill School for changes in playing field and drive

A hearing was held in the Town Hall to act on a petition for Eugene Miller to construct a garage and repair facility on Warwick Avenue. Permit was issued.

A hearing was held in the Town Hall to act on a petition of John A. and Lorita Hogan to divide their lot on Main Street. Permit was denied because division would not conform to the requirements of the Protective Regulation By-law.

HAROLD NEWTON

Chairman



## SEWER STUDY COMMITTEE REPORT

Slow, deliberate progress is being made on the plans for a sewage disposal plant for the Northfield community. Applications have been filed for Federal and State grants to finance the project. Western Massachusetts Electric Company has acquired a parcel of land from Wilbur Podlenski and has agreed to sell, that portion that has been approved by our engineers (Tighe & Bond) as being a suitable location for the Sewage Disposal Plant, to the Town of Northfield. A survey of the property was made by Gordon Ainsworth Company and description of boundaries was written. This was necessary for the hearing that was held in Boston to approve the land acquisition. Also required will be approval by the State Department of Public Health and State Division of Water Pollution Control, after which the land may be purchased from Western Massachusetts Electric Company. Other easements will be needed for the right of way for north and west interceptors and for the effluent line to run from the treatment plant to the river through Western Massachusetts Electric Company property. The land along the river bank is included in the Federal Power Commission License No. 1889 and easement through this portion is necessary. Tighe & Bond have been communicating with the Canadian National Railway regarding permits and easements in connection with railroad property involved through which interceptors will run. The rate of progress being maintained on this project is consistent with the complicated approval processes of the State and Federal Governmental Agencies and the allocation of time to our project by our engineering firm.

CARL A. PELZEL  
Chairman

Sewer Study Committee

## REPORT OF NORTHFIELD PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SERVICE

To the Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Northfield:

I herewith submit the annual report of the Northfield Public Health Nursing Service for the year of 1969.

The Board of Health held three general immunization clinics for townspeople. A total of 391 immunizations were given. In December, a special clinic was held for the new Rubella (or German Measles) Vaccine for children in Kindergarten through Grade Three. I would like to thank the many volunteer clerical workers and the nurses who helped to make these clinics a success.

The annual Blood Bank, sponsored by the Fortnightly, collected 128 pints of blood. Doctors in attendance were: Dr. Ansel B. True, Dr. Marvin Thompson and Dr. Calvin Hartshorn.

Report of visits made in 1969:

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| Home Visits     | 679 |
| Office Visits   | 7   |
| Not-home Visits | 8   |

Monthly meetings have been attended at the Franklin County Public Hospital on the Home Care Team, and In-Service Educational Programs at the University of Massachusetts and the Springfield Municipal Hospital.

Mrs. Ruth Babits and Mrs. Eileen Gorzocoski covered the Nursing Service from January 1st through March 10th. Mrs. Gorzocoski also covered for a two-week vacation period in August.

I would like to thank the Board of Selectmen, Dr. Ansel B. True, the Advisory Board, Mrs. Phyllis Whitney and the townspeople for all their cooperation and effort to this program.

Respectfully submitted,

SALLY F. LINDGREN, R.N.

Public Health Nurse

## POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
Northfield Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith is a report of the activities of the  
Northfield Police Department for the year of 1969.

Summary of Contacts

|                          |    |                      |     |
|--------------------------|----|----------------------|-----|
| Arson                    | 1  | Request for Police   | 15  |
| Accidents                | 43 | Suspicious Person or |     |
| Breaking & Entering      | 9  | Vehicle              | 17  |
| Abandoned Vehicles       | 4  | Prowler              | 10  |
| Disorderly Children      | 4  | Cows and Horses      | 18  |
| Motor Vehicle Violations | 58 | Narcotics            | 7   |
| Dog Complaint            | 5  | Unsecured Premises   | 34  |
| Defective Equipment Tags | 77 | Vacant Homes         | 25  |
| Gun and Air Rifle        | 3  | Summons Served       | 10  |
| Family Trouble           | 37 | Pistol Permits &     |     |
| Larceny                  | 7  | Identification Cards | 394 |
| Malicious Damage         | 16 | Disturbing Peace     | 5   |
| Missing Persons          | 6  | Drunk                | 3   |

During the past year members of the Police Department have devoted a considerable amount of their own time to attend various police training programs.

To the citizens who have been an aid and assistance to the members of the Police Department, I wish to express my sincere thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH A. HORAK, JR.

Chief of Police



## DICKINSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY REPORT

Continuing its expanded services to the community, the Dickinson Memorial Library provided books, magazines, recordings, and exhibits in increasing number and variety of selection. A library for all ages, this widely used facility served elementary school children with books and library lessons, junior high and high school students with fiction, reference and research materials, young adults with selections designed for their age and tastes, and adults with a wide sampling from the works of fiction, travel, history, politics, biography, reminiscences, adventure, and commentary upon national and international events, problems, and conflict.

The consistently interested and thoughtful efforts of Head Librarian Evangeline C. Cook assisted by the experienced and capable assistant librarian, Mrs. Elizabeth Bell, have afforded the town with library services and exhibits of broad appeal. Not the least important aspect of the library service is the physical appearance and equipment of the library, which is maintained in first class condition by the Custodian Barber, whose efforts and unflagging interest are reflected in the neatness and polish of the building and grounds.

Added to the program in 1968-1969 were Saturday morning reading sessions for younger children which were staffed and led by students from Northfield School. To enlarge upon and develop the program, the Trustees have this year encouraged and sponsored a Saturday morning tutoring program, held at Center School, in which older students spend time assisting younger or contemporary students who need help or additional practice in developing basic skills.

This year repairs have been made to the roof of the library, and repainting of the outside trim is now necessary. Miss Elsie Scott has continued as secretary, Luman Barber is in charge of building and grounds, Mrs. Evelyn H. Parker has served as liason with the elementary school and on the book selection committee along with Mrs. Margaret L. Jones, George M. Leonard, and Miss Scott.

The Trustees reiterate their appreciation of the interest and support of the citizens of Northfield in the work of the Library.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. HAWLEY  
Chairman, Board of  
Trustees

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Statistics to December 1, 1969

|                                       |          |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Circulation of books and magazines:   |          |
| Adult and Juvenile                    | 27188    |
| State Bookmobile                      | 1524     |
| Inter-library loan                    | 16       |
| Books borrowed for school use         | 158      |
| Total                                 | 28886    |
| Books in circulation:                 |          |
| Added by purchase and gift            | 494      |
| Withdrawn                             | 644      |
| Total number of books in circulation  | 16343    |
| Books borrowed from State Bookmobile: |          |
| Dickinson Library                     | 1628     |
| Field Library                         | 1155     |
| Books on loan to State Bookmobile     | 170      |
| Circulation of music records          | 93       |
| Total number of borrowers             | 983      |
| Fines turned in to Town Treasurer     | \$257.70 |

My sincere thanks go to the the good friends who have given books and magazines to the Library during the past year.

On February 18, three ladies of the family of Elijah Dickinson, who gave the money to build our library building, visited us and spent some time browsing through our book collection with particular attention to the books of genealogy.

At the Library, during the months of March and April, pupils of grade six attended classes in the use of reference books and the card catalog.

A workshop, demonstrating the methods of mending books, was held at this Library in April. It was conducted under the auspices of the Western Regional Library Center by Mrs. Westcott of the Springfield City Library. Twenty-five neighboring librarians attended the morning session.

The annual sale of used books, withdrawn from circulation in the Children's Room, was held during the first week in May.

New books for the boys and girls were bought with the proceeds. No fines for overdue books were charged during the entire week.

A contribution of popular music records was received from the R C A Company and made ready for circulation.

Each Saturday morning of the school year, a story hour for children in grades one to four was held at the Library. Readers were members of the World Outreach Committee at the Northfield School.

Mrs. Bell and I thank the Trustees for their kind help and advice throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

EVANGELINE C. COOK

Librarian

#### BOARD OF HEALTH REPORT

The cases reported to the Board of Health in 1969 were:

|               |    |
|---------------|----|
| Chicken Pox   | 3  |
| Dog Bites     | 11 |
| Dog Scratches | 1  |
| Mumps         | 15 |
| Rodent Bites  | 2  |
| Cat Bite      | 1  |



## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

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## TAXES FOR 1966

|                                  |               |               |
|----------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Motor Vehicle Outstanding 1-1-69 |               | \$9.91        |
| Abatements                       | \$4.13        |               |
| Paid to Treasurer                | 5.78          |               |
|                                  | <u>\$9.91</u> | <u>\$9.91</u> |

## TAXES FOR 1967

|                                  |                 |                 |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Motor Vehicle Outstanding 1-1-69 |                 | \$392.15        |
| Abatements                       | \$ 74.25        |                 |
| Paid to Treasurer                | 298.10          |                 |
| Outstanding 1-1-70               | 19.80           |                 |
|                                  | <u>\$392.15</u> | <u>\$392.15</u> |

## TAXES FOR 1968

|                                      |                 |                 |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Personal Property Outstanding 1-1-69 |                 | \$196.20        |
| Paid to Treasurer                    | \$167.40        |                 |
| Outstanding 1-1-70                   | 28.80           |                 |
|                                      | <u>\$196.20</u> | <u>\$196.20</u> |

|                                |                    |                    |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Real Estate Outstanding 1-1-69 | \$                 | \$16,251.21        |
| Tax Titles Taken               | 51.39              |                    |
| Paid to Treasurer              | 16,199.82          |                    |
|                                | <u>\$16,251.21</u> | <u>\$16,251.21</u> |

|                                  |                    |                    |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Motor Vehicle Outstanding 1-1-69 |                    | \$ 3,619.40        |
| Committed After 1-1-69           |                    | 8,231.02           |
| Refunds                          |                    | 142.82             |
| Abatements                       | \$ 678.51          |                    |
| Paid to Treasurer                | 11,281.69          |                    |
| Outstanding 1-1-70               | 33.04              |                    |
|                                  | <u>\$11,993.24</u> | <u>\$11,993.24</u> |

## TAXES FOR 1969

|                                |                   |                   |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Farm Animal and Machinery Levy |                   | \$1,973.50        |
| Paid to Treasurer              | \$1,737.00        |                   |
| Outstanding 1-1-70             | 236.50            |                   |
|                                | <u>\$1,973.50</u> | <u>\$1,973.50</u> |

|                           |              |              |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Personal Property Levy    |              | \$109,173.28 |
| Refunds                   |              | 32.00        |
| Abatements                | \$ 185.60    |              |
| Paid to Treasurer         | 108,751.45   |              |
| Outstanding 1-1-70        | 268.23       |              |
|                           | <hr/>        | <hr/>        |
|                           | \$109,205.28 | \$109,205.28 |
| Real Estate Levy          |              | \$351,470.72 |
| Refunds                   |              | 3,529.58     |
| Abatements                | \$ 20,140.32 |              |
| Tax Titles Added          | 813.40       |              |
| Paid to Treasurer         | 315,504.04   |              |
| Outstanding 1-1-70        | 18,542.54    |              |
|                           | <hr/>        | <hr/>        |
|                           | \$355,000.30 | \$355,000.30 |
| Motor Vehicle Excise Levy |              | \$73,231.79  |
| Refunds                   |              | 2,030.73     |
| Abatements                | \$ 4,607.66  |              |
| Paid to Treasurer         | 62,246.63    |              |
| Outstanding 1-1-70        | 8,408.23     |              |
|                           | <hr/>        | <hr/>        |
|                           | \$75,262.52  | \$75,262.52  |

WEST NORTHFIELD WATER DISTRICT

TAXES FOR 1968

|                                      |         |         |
|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Personal Property Outstanding 1-1-69 |         | \$1.10  |
| Paid to Treasurer                    | \$1.10  |         |
|                                      | <hr/>   | <hr/>   |
|                                      | \$1.10  | \$1.10  |
| Real Estate Outstanding 1-1-69       |         | \$24.40 |
| Paid to Treasurer                    | \$24.40 |         |
|                                      | <hr/>   | <hr/>   |
|                                      | \$24.40 | \$24.40 |

GORDON W. LEAVIS

Tax Collector

## TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

|                             |                     |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| Balance January 1, 1969     | \$ 66,839.56        |
| Receipts for the year, 1969 | <u>1,358,063.80</u> |
| Total                       | \$1,424,903.36      |

|                                 |                 |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| Payments per Warrants           | \$1,272,883.36  |
| Cash on hand, December 31, 1969 | 42,154.56       |
| Franklin County Trust Co.       | 108,605.44      |
| Franklin Savings Institution    | <u>1,260.00</u> |
| Total                           | \$1,424,903.36  |

## Franklin County Trust Co., of Greenfield

|                                      |                   |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Balance December 31, 1969            |                   |
| per statement                        | 147,850.43        |
| Outstanding Checks-December 31, 1969 | 39,244.99         |
| Balance December 31, 1969            |                   |
| per Check Book                       | <u>108,605.44</u> |
| Total                                | 147,850.43        |

## Cash on Hand and Invested

|                                     |                 |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Franklin County Trust Co.           |                 |
| Checking Account                    | 108,605.44      |
| Certificate of Deposit due 1/19     | 50,000.00       |
| Certificate of Deposit due 2/23     | 50,000.00       |
| Cash on hand not deposited 12-31-69 | 42,154.56       |
| Franklin Savings Institution        | <u>1,260.00</u> |
| Total Cash                          | 252,020.00      |

## Stabilization Fund

|                                             |                  |
|---------------------------------------------|------------------|
| Franklin Savings Institution                |                  |
| Balance January 1, 1969                     | 15,519.11        |
| Interest Added for year 1969                | 1,019.77         |
| Deposited in year, 1969                     | <u>10,000.00</u> |
| Total Added in 1969                         | <u>11,019.77</u> |
| Balance Dec. 31, 1969 in Stabilization Fund | 26,538.88        |

## Franklin County Retirement System

|                                       |                 |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Balance January 1, 1969               | 0.00            |
| Amount collected from members in 1969 | <u>3,513.14</u> |
| Total                                 | 3,513.14        |



## Payment to Franklin County Retirement

|                                     |             |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Board in 1969                       | 3,513.14    |
| Refunds to employees'               | 0.00        |
| Balance December 31, 1969 in Treas. | <u>0.00</u> |

Total

3,513.14

## Federal Withholding Tax Statement

|                                  |                  |
|----------------------------------|------------------|
| Balance January 1, 1969          | 0.00             |
| Withholding Tax deducted in 1969 | <u>25,792.44</u> |

Total

25,792.44

|                                     |             |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Paid to Coll. Internal Revenue-1969 | 25,792.44   |
| Balance 12-31-69 in Treasury        | <u>0.00</u> |

Total

25,792.44

## Massachusetts Withholding Tax Statement

|                                     |                 |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Balance January 1, 1969             | 0.00            |
| Mass. Withholding Tax deducted-1969 | <u>4,891.40</u> |

Total

4,891.40

Paid to Commonwealth of Mass.

|                                       |             |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| in 1969                               | 4,869.07    |
| Employer's Compensation               | 22.33       |
| Balance December 31, 1969 in Treasury | <u>0.00</u> |

Total

4,891.40

## Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System

|                                       |                 |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Balance January 1, 1969               | 0.00            |
| Amount Collected from members in 1969 | <u>5,608.33</u> |

Total

5,608.33

Paid to Teachers' Retirement Board

|                                     |             |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| in 1969                             | 5,608.33    |
| Balance December 31, 1969 in Treas. | <u>0.00</u> |

Total

5,608.33

## Pioneer Valley Union Teachers' Ass'n Dues

Amount Collected from members in 1969 378.00

Paid to Pioneer Valley Teachers' Ass'n

in 1969 378.00

Teachers' Annuities with  
Metropolitan Life Insurance Company

Amount Collected from members in 1969 4,147.50

Paid to Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.

in 1969 4,147.50

Group Insurance with  
Greenfield Savings Bank

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|                                          |               |        |
|------------------------------------------|---------------|--------|
| Balance January 1, 1969                  | \$ 14.28      |        |
| Amount Collected from members<br>in 1969 | <u>176.12</u> |        |
| Total                                    |               | 190.40 |

|                                               |             |        |
|-----------------------------------------------|-------------|--------|
| Payment to Greenfield Savings<br>Bank in 1969 | 188.36      |        |
| Refunds to employees'                         | <u>2.04</u> |        |
| Total                                         |             | 190.40 |

Franklin County School Employees'  
Federal Credit Union

|                                          |  |          |
|------------------------------------------|--|----------|
| Amount Collected from members<br>in 1969 |  | 1,248.00 |
| Paid to Credit Union in 1969             |  | 1,248.00 |

Highway Blue Cross & Blue Shield

|                         |                 |          |
|-------------------------|-----------------|----------|
| Balance January 1, 1969 | 0.00            |          |
| Member Payments in 1969 | <u>1,136.96</u> |          |
| Total                   |                 | 1,136.96 |

|                                          |             |          |
|------------------------------------------|-------------|----------|
| Paid to Mass. Hospital Service           | 1,050.39    |          |
| Refunds to employees'                    | 86.57       |          |
| Balance December 31, 1969<br>in Treasury | <u>0.00</u> |          |
| Total                                    |             | 1,136.96 |

School Blue Cross & Blue Shield

|                         |                 |          |
|-------------------------|-----------------|----------|
| Balance January 1, 1969 | 0.00            |          |
| Member Payments in 1969 | <u>1,834.12</u> |          |
| Total                   |                 | 1,834.12 |

|                                           |             |          |
|-------------------------------------------|-------------|----------|
| Paid to Mass. Hospital Service<br>in 1969 | 1,834.12    |          |
| Balance December 31, 1969 in<br>Treasury  | <u>0.00</u> |          |
| Total                                     |             | 1,834.12 |

Respectfully submitted,

DELORES R. AVERY

Town Treasurer

## TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS

| NAME                                                      | ON HAND<br>Jan. 1, 1969 | SAVINGS<br>DEPOSITS | SECURITIES | INTEREST<br>RECEIVED     | INTEREST<br>ADDED | TOTAL<br>ON HAND<br>12-31-69 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------|--------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|
| Edward D. Priest & others,<br>W. Northfield Cemetery Fund | \$7292.49               | \$7292.49           |            | \$378.28                 |                   | \$7292.49                    |
| James W. Cowles<br>Center Cemetery Fund                   | 2000.00                 | 2000.00             |            | 103.75                   |                   | 2000.00                      |
| Calvin Stearns<br>Center Cemetery Fund                    | 500.00                  | 500.00              |            | 25.93                    |                   | 500.00                       |
| Belcher Center<br>School Fund                             | 1250.00                 | 1250.00             |            | 64.85                    |                   | 1250.00                      |
| Belcher Center<br>Cemetery Fund                           | 2000.00                 | 1000.00             | \$1000.00  | 51.89 Sav.<br>12.50 Sec. |                   | 2000.00                      |
| Belcher Library Fund                                      | 9739.01                 | 9739.01             |            | 505.20                   |                   | 9739.01                      |
| Lottie Evans Worthy Poor Fund                             | 1457.75                 | 1457.75             |            |                          | \$69.52           | 1527.27                      |
| George F. Morgan<br>Charity Fund                          | 3000.00                 | 3000.00             |            | 155.64                   |                   | 3000.00                      |
| Surplus Revenue<br>School Fund                            | 1600.00                 | 1600.00             |            | 83.00                    |                   | 1600.00                      |
| C. P. Dickinson<br>Library Book Fund                      | 3000.00                 | 3000.00             |            | 155.64                   |                   | 3000.00                      |



|                                |            |            |            |           |             |            |
|--------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|
| Mary Callender                 |            |            |            |           |             |            |
| Mt. Hermon Cemetery Fund       | 500.00     | 500.00     | 25.93      |           |             | 500.00     |
| Post-War Rehabilitation Fund   | 12465.82   | 2465.82    | 10000.00   |           | 120.58 Sav. | 12836.40   |
|                                |            |            |            |           | 250.00 Sec. |            |
| Roselle Evans Worthy Poor Fund | 500.00     | 500.00     | 25.93      |           |             | 500.00     |
| C. Ina Merriman Library Fund   | 1867.59    | 1867.59    |            |           | 89.06       | 1956.65    |
| Maude Montague Library Fund    | 2009.60    | 2009.60    | 104.22     |           |             | 2009.60    |
| Town of Northfield             |            |            |            |           |             |            |
| Real Estate Fund               | 1260.00    | 1260.00    | 65.37      |           |             | 1260.00    |
| Northfield Chapter D.A.R.      |            |            |            |           |             |            |
| Library Fund                   | 100.00     | 100.00     | 5.18       |           |             | 100.00     |
| Marina Stanley Library         |            |            |            |           |             |            |
| Book Fund                      | 540.00     | 540.00     | 28.19      |           |             | 550.00**   |
|                                | \$51082.26 | \$40082.26 | \$11000.00 | \$1791.50 | \$529.16    | \$51621.42 |

\*\* Includes \$10.00 added to principal of fund in 1969

Respectfully submitted,

DELORES R. AVERY

Treasurer

## LIST OF CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

|                          |            |                        |            |
|--------------------------|------------|------------------------|------------|
| SOUTH MOUNTAIN CEMETERY  |            | Henry W. Montague      | 400.00     |
|                          |            | Charles C. Morgan      | 100.00     |
| Alice J. Bigelow         | \$ 100.00  | Samuel Pratt           | 25.00      |
|                          |            | Larkin Fisher, & Frank |            |
|                          |            | & Lucy Rose            | 50.00      |
| WEST NORTHFIELD CEMETERY |            | Fred W. Ruggles        | 100.00     |
| Cecil Wilson             | \$ 100.00  | Ashael Sawyer &        |            |
| Caroline B. Lane         | 150.00     | Almer Sawyer           | 100.00     |
| George W. Snow           | 200.00     | Marcellus D. Stratton  | 100.00     |
| Henry M. Yerrington      | 100.00     | Rufus Stratton & Oren  |            |
| Pennock Fund             | 100.00     | D. Darling             | 150.00     |
| Cora B. Preston &        |            | Elisha & Elihu         |            |
| Pitts W. Preston         | 100.00     | Stratton               | 200.00     |
| S.E.K. Priest            | 200.00     | William H. Stratton    | 100.00     |
| George F. Witt           | 100.00     | Mary A. Stratton       | 100.00     |
| Jane E. Evans            | 50.00      | Samuel W. & William    |            |
| Warena P. Miller         | 200.00     | G. Stratton            | 100.00     |
| Mary E. Bunker           | 200.00     | Leroy Wetherhead       | 75.00      |
| Edna M. Kelley           | 150.00     | Oscar & Frank V. Wood  | 50.00      |
| Boyd Palmer              | 25.00      | Jennie L. Bascomb      | 150.00     |
| Vernon Playful           | 100.00     | Herbert Dutton         | 100.00     |
| Hartley & Flora          |            | Murray Hammond         | 100.00     |
| Bosworth                 | 25.00      | Nettie Gilbert         | 300.00     |
| Alice Dutton Yerrington  | 150.00     | George H. Pratt        | 100.00     |
| LeRoy R. Barnes          | 100.00     | Lawrence A. Comins     | 100.00     |
|                          |            | Clayton P.B. Miller    | 100.00     |
|                          | \$ 2050.00 |                        |            |
|                          |            |                        | \$ 4201.69 |

## NORTHFIELD FARMS CEMETERY

|                       |           |
|-----------------------|-----------|
| James Browning &      |           |
| Robert Washer         | \$ 100.00 |
| Retta R. Barrett      | 100.00    |
| Ada Chamberlain &     |           |
| Sarah Morgan          | 75.00     |
| Eva J. S. Clough      | 200.00    |
| M. Maria Foss         | 200.00    |
| Ernest C. Field       | 100.00    |
| Elisa Graves          | 51.69     |
| Brigham Gage &        |           |
| David Clowes          | 100.00    |
| Charles L. Gilbert    | 200.00    |
| George M. Chamberlain | 75.00     |
| Samuel A. Holton      | 200.00    |
| Elvira A. Morgan      | 50.00     |
| James & William       |           |
| Merriman              | 100.00    |
| Inez E. Holton        | 50.00     |

## MOUNT HERMON CEMETERY

|                       |           |
|-----------------------|-----------|
| Henry F. Cutler       | \$ 100.00 |
| Lorimer Drury         | 100.00    |
| Horace F. Holton      | 100.00    |
| Alice V. Watson       | 150.00    |
| Anna Bell McMillan    | 100.00    |
| Charles T. Sibley     | 200.00    |
| Lewis Hodus           | 200.00    |
| Roy R. Hatch          | 100.00    |
| Joseph S. Castogue    | 100.00    |
| Charles D. Streeter   | 200.00    |
| Mary J. & Anna L.     |           |
| Miller                | 200.00    |
| Marion Fish Giersbach | 100.00    |
| Alice Mosse           | 100.00    |
| S. Douglas & Ruth A.  |           |
| Polhemus              | 10.00     |
| Jane E. Holton        | 100.00    |
| Claire H. & Alfred D. |           |
| Montague              | 100.00    |

|                                         |        |                                                      |        |
|-----------------------------------------|--------|------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| Marjorie Prescott                       | 100.00 | George E. Nye                                        | 200.00 |
| Julia Pierce, Edward<br>& Barbara Blake | 100.00 | Dorothy P. Bruce                                     | 150.00 |
| Jessie H. Hyde                          | 100.00 | Dr. Stratton White &<br>George & William<br>Hastings | 300.00 |
| \$ 2260.00                              |        | Jessamine W. Polhemus                                | 100.00 |

## CENTER CEMETERY

|                                       |        |                                      |         |
|---------------------------------------|--------|--------------------------------------|---------|
| Nelson & Nettie Spring                | 100.00 | William R. Moody                     | 100.00  |
| Emma Holtnorth                        | 100.00 | Mrs. Norman MacGaffin                | 50.00   |
| John F. Rice                          | 100.00 | Clara B. Torrey                      | 100.00  |
| Carpenter Winchester                  | 100.00 | Herbert E. Robbins                   | 200.00  |
| Clinton A. Ware                       | 150.00 | S. E. Walker                         | 200.00  |
| George R. Stebbins                    | 50.00  | J. I. Greenleaf                      | 300.00  |
| Charles Stebbins                      | 100.00 | M. Margaret Laird                    | 100.00  |
| Walter D. Crane                       | 100.00 | Hezekiah & Elizabeth<br>Stratton     | 80.00   |
| John E. Nye                           | 100.00 | Hezekiah & Molly<br>Stratton         | 80.00   |
| Harvey J. Evans                       | 50.00  | Rufus & Asenath Stratton             | 80.00   |
| Augustus W. Holton                    | 100.00 | William H. Phelps                    | 200.00  |
| Thomas Callender                      | 50.00  | Elizabeth M. Purple                  | 200.00  |
| Johnson Fund                          | 123.06 | Sarah J. Whithead                    | 50.00   |
| Mary L. Wright                        | 125.00 | Bessie Severance                     | 100.00  |
| M. Bemis & Otis<br>Field              | 50.00  | Lewis Fowler                         | 50.00   |
| Charles Blackmer                      | 50.00  | J. Wesley Mann                       | 100.00  |
| Alvin Long                            | 50.00  | Andrew E. & Arthur H.<br>Lyman       | 400.00  |
| Isaac Cook & Wright<br>Stratton       | 100.00 | Edward B. Stearns                    | 50.00   |
| John L. Mattoon                       | 100.00 | Benjamin Field &<br>Charles Pomeroy  | 100.00  |
| Levi Fay                              | 150.00 | Charles Osgood                       | 500.00  |
| Sarah E. Minot                        | 150.00 | Louis Frederick<br>Bartlett          | 100.00  |
| James Pickard                         | 100.00 | Sherman Nye Bartlett                 | 100.00  |
| Augusta L. Day                        | 100.00 | Rose A. Holton                       | 100.00  |
| Elijah Belding                        | 125.00 | C.D. Merriam &<br>Cornelius Hilliard | 300.00  |
| James White                           | 100.00 | Cora B. Preston &<br>Asa Holton      | 100.00  |
| Arad Webster & William<br>Billings    | 500.00 | Frank & William Piper                | 100.00  |
| Katherine Gaeng                       | 100.00 | L. O. Clapp Lot                      | 100.00  |
| Elijah E. Belding                     | 100.00 | Hachita Lots                         | 440.00  |
| A.M.D. Alexander                      | 300.00 | Samuel & Elijah<br>Merriman          | 1760.00 |
| Charles Alexander &<br>Richard Colton | 200.00 | Mary V.H. Slade                      | 125.00  |
| Adelaide W. Moody                     | 100.00 | Mrs. George Spofford                 | 200.00  |
| Roselle Evans                         | 50.00  | Mary B. Rankin                       | 100.00  |
| Amos Shepardson &<br>Anna S. Preston  | 150.00 | Daniel P. Sutherland                 | 100.00  |
| Bessie Moore                          | 100.00 | George N. Kidder                     | 500.00  |
| Elizabeth P. Kraft                    | 100.00 | Tie-Webster Lot                      | 100.00  |
| Maximilla S. Hachita                  | 100.00 | Louis M. Potts                       | 200.00  |
| Albert S. Brigham                     | 100.00 | Frank & Jennie Lombard               | 100.00  |

\$12,638.06



## CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND

|                           |             |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| On hand January 1, 1969   | \$21,349.75 |
| On hand December 31, 1969 | 21,449.75   |

## RECEIPTS OF INTEREST

|                           |             |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| South Mountain Cemetery   | 5.18        |
| West Northfield Cemetery  | 106.35      |
| Mount Hermon Cemetery     | 127.62      |
| Northfield Farms Cemetery | 212.75      |
| Center Cemetery           | 655.58      |
|                           | <hr/>       |
|                           | \$ 1,107.48 |

Respectfully submitted,

DELORES R. AVERY

Treasurer

## ANNUAL REPORT

of the

## SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

## ORGANIZATION FOR YEAR 1970

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

|                                |                   |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| Wallace Stange, Chairman       | Term expires 1970 |
| Mrs. Jean Bachinski, Secretary | Term expires 1970 |
| Frank J. Rockwell              | Term expires 1972 |

## Meeting of the School Committee

The regular meetings of the School Committee are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Center School.

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Roland L. Schoepf

|                                                         |                          |
|---------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Saint Anselm's College -                                | B.A. in History          |
| University of New Hampshire -                           | M.A. in History          |
| Boston University -                                     | Enrolled in CAGS Program |
| Office - Pioneer Valley Regional School - Tel. 498-2757 |                          |

## ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

David E. Zellmer

University of Wisconsin - B.A. in English and French

## UNION SECRETARIES

Mrs. Madelyn J. Page  
Mrs. Helen Mahoney

## Office Hours

School Days - 8:30 A.M. to 4 P.M.  
School Vacations 8 A.M. to 3 P.M.

## SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Ansel B. True, M.D.

## SCHOOL NURSE

Pauline E. Abar, R.N.

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

|                                |                         |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Schools open January 5, 1970   | Close February 13, 1970 |
| Schools open February 23, 1970 | Close April 17, 1970    |
| Schools open April 27, 1970    | Close June 19, 1970     |
| Schools open September 9, 1970 | Close November 25, 1970 |
| Schools open November 30, 1970 | Close December 23, 1970 |
| Schools open January 4, 1971   | Close February 19, 1971 |



## REPORT OF THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The Northfield Elementary School Committee continued to hold its regular meetings on the third Tuesday of each month. Following the recommendations of the administration, educational improvements were authorized and necessary physical improvements have been made. A number of classrooms were painted, as well as the exterior trim of the north building, and the floor tiling in the cafeteria and one hall was replaced.

New staff members include Mr. Swen Nelson, who was assigned to teach science in grades five and six, and Mr. John J. Kelley assumed duties as principal in October. The resignation of Mrs Elizabeth Bolton as a school committee member was accepted with regrets and Mrs. Jean Bachinski was selected to take her place.

A tutoring program, in which students from Northfield School for Girls provide extra help for pupils in the elementary grades, was approved in the Fall of the year and early reports indicate that it is working out well.

The Committee wishes to thank members of the faculty, as well as the custodians, cafeteria workers, nurse and doctor, who are constantly working to improve the educational opportunities for the children of the community.

WALLACE STANGE, Chairman

JEAN BACHINSKI, Secretary

FRANK ROCKWELL, Rep. to P.V.R.S.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee and the Citizens of Northfield:

Acquiring the flavor of a school system takes more than a few months, but it is possible to reflect in some measure upon that which I have been able to observe in Northfield. There is a competent staff, enthusiastic leadership, and a well-maintained plant, all of which contribute to a positive learning environment and augur well for future growth and development.

In addition to continued improvement of the general educational program, more time is being devoted to music. In vocal classes, the children are becoming acquainted with tone quality, rhythm, symbols and keys. Not only are they learning new songs, but something about them. Individual and group instrumental instruction is being emphasized as a prelude to participation in the band. With the development of interest in band instruments, more concerts and participation will follow. To this end, a demonstration of various band instruments was given in October.

Work continues in the area of remedial reading. There are many reasons why some children have reading difficulties and the process of identifying them and providing treatment requires skill and patience on the part of the instructor. However, given ample time, children do show improvement which contributes to greater learning efficiency in the classroom.

The physical education program places emphasis on physical conditioning through exercises and group activities. Fundamental skills of certain competitive sports, such as soccer and volleyball, are taught to older pupils. The acquisition of more equipment in the years ahead will broaden the scope of the program.

The main emphasis in art is on furthering the student's experience in self-expression through working with new techniques and media. Projects worked on this year included tempera and watercolor painting, stick construction, clay sculpture, life drawings and ceramic mosaic tile plaques.

As we move into the decade of the 70's, one can envision change taking place more rapidly than over corresponding periods of the past. While educational facilities and programs have long been the prerogative of the local school district, the Massachusetts State Department of Education is preparing curriculum requirements which will have a significant impact upon the schools. Basically, the new standards or regulations

derive from the Willis -Harrington Act of 1965. The act changed the governing structure of public education and gave the state board new powers, including the power to set minimum curriculum requirements. It is too early to fully know what the impact of the proposed minimum requirements will be upon local districts, other than that it will be greater on some districts than others. Until we receive more direction, however, we shall continue in our efforts to provide an educational program designed to meet the needs of children in a changing society.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the members of the school committee for their cooperation during the short time that I have had the pleasure to be associated with them.

Respectfully submitted,

ROLAND L. SCHOEPF

Superintendent of Schools

## REPORT OF SCHOOL ORGANIZATION

## Northfield Elementary School

|                      |                                |                                                                  |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| John J. Kelley, III  | Principal                      | Gorham State College, B.S.,<br>M.S. Ed.                          |
| Madeline A. Smithers | Kindergarten                   | Boston University, B.A.<br>Hartford Seminary<br>Foundation, M.A. |
| Ruth W. Bolton       | Grade 1                        | Fitchburg Normal School                                          |
| Dorothea B. Thomas   | Grade 1                        | Keene Teachers College                                           |
| Barbara F. Doolittle | Grade 2                        | Pembroke College, B.A.                                           |
| Ruby North           | Grade 2                        | Bay Path Institute<br>Fitchburg Normal School                    |
| Ruth Stebbins        | Grade 3                        | Lowell Teachers College,<br>B.S.                                 |
| Marion Wahlstrom     | Grade 3                        | Framingham State<br>Teachers College, B.S.                       |
| Elizabeth C. Newton  | Grade 4                        | Castleton Normal School                                          |
| Catherine Sheldon    | Grade 4                        | Fitchburg Normal School                                          |
| Evelyn H. Parker     | Grade 5                        | N. Adams State Teachers<br>College, B.S.E.                       |
| Jessie Glabach       | Grade 5                        | North Adams Normal<br>School                                     |
| Edmund F. Weston     | Grade 6                        | Keene State Teachers<br>Ass't Principal College, B.Ed.           |
| Swen L. Nelson       | Grade 6                        | Boston University, B.S.                                          |
| Ann P. James         | Secretary to Principal         |                                                                  |
| August C. Mello      | Art Supervisor                 | Mass. College of Art,<br>B.S., M.A.                              |
| Cecilia A. Goodwin   | Music Super-<br>visor          | Juilliard School of<br>Music                                     |
| Mrs. Sandra Adams    | Instrumental<br>Music Director | University of New<br>Hampshire, B.S.                             |
| Albert Lee Kemp      | Physical Ed.<br>Supervisor     | University of Mass., B.S.                                        |
| Jeanette P. Curry    | Reading<br>Specialist          | Springfield College, B.S.<br>Harvard University, Ed.M.           |

## SCHOOL CUSTODIANS

Mr. Harold Johnson   Mr. Norman Holloway   Mr. Alwin Holloway



## SCHOOL LUNCH

Mrs. Esther Clough   Mrs. Mildred Aldrich   Mrs. Mildred Closson

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE FINANCIAL REPORT

December 31, 1969

|                                     | Approp.<br>1969 | Expended<br>1969 | Budget<br>1970   |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|
| 1000 Administration                 | 7,538.00        | 6,768.15         | 8,337.00         |
| 2000 Instruction                    | 128,560.16      | 127,090.37       | 144,172.00       |
| 3000 Other Services                 | 25,300.00       | 27,684.31        | 35,110.00        |
| 4000 Operation and<br>Maintenance   | 22,600.00       | 23,804.75        | 23,200.00        |
| 7000 Acquisition of<br>Fixed Assets | 800.00          | 1,488.26         | 800.00           |
| 9000 Programs with<br>Other Schools | <u>9,400.00</u> | <u>5,217.30</u>  | <u>10,400.00</u> |
| Totals                              | \$194,198.16    | \$192,053.14     | \$222,019.00     |

## NET COST OF SCHOOLS - 1969

|                                           |            |            |
|-------------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Expenditures (Elementary School)          | 192,053.14 |            |
| Expenditures(Northfield's share,P.V.R.S.) | 221,363.37 |            |
| Total Expenditures                        |            | 413,416.51 |
| Reimbursements:                           |            |            |
| Tuition                                   | 610.00     |            |
| Chapter 70                                | 81,512.25  |            |
| Vocational Tuition and Transportation     | 3,459.52   |            |
| Transportation                            | 17,020.71  |            |
| Interest, Surplus fund                    | 83.00      |            |
| Special Education                         | 1,930.00   |            |
|                                           | <hr/>      |            |
|                                           | 104,615.48 |            |
| Reimbursements paid to P.V.R.S.           |            |            |
| Northfield's share                        | 33,251.07  |            |
| Total reimbursements                      |            | 137,866.55 |
| Net cost of education                     |            | 275,549.96 |

## STATE AID AND NET COST OF EDUCATION

| Year | Total Costs | Reimburse-<br>ments | %    | Net Cost   | Pupils | Cost per<br>Pupil |
|------|-------------|---------------------|------|------------|--------|-------------------|
| 1960 | 204,678.46  | 76,081.24           | 37.1 | 128,597.12 | 550    | 233.81            |
| 1961 | 212,576.00  | 73,705.19           | 34.7 | 138,870.87 | 545    | 254.81            |
| 1962 | 233,965.23  | 75,719.14           | 32.4 | 158,246.09 | 582    | 271.90            |
| 1963 | 260,551.97  | 78,528.89           | 30.1 | 182,023.17 | 601    | 302.86            |
| 1964 | 278,088.76  | 85,656.90           | 30.8 | 192,431.86 | 616    | 312.49            |
| 1965 | 300,302.65  | 90,851.57           | 30.2 | 209,451.08 | 606    | 345.62            |
| 1966 | 320,726.79  | 85,893.18           | 26.7 | 234,833.61 | 624    | 376.33            |
| 1967 | 352,174.31  | 112,251.58          | 31.9 | 239,922.73 | 613    | 391.39            |
| 1968 | 396,808.04  | 114,380.65          | 28.8 | 282,527.39 | 618    | 457.16            |
| 1969 | 413,416.51  | 137,866.55          | 30.0 | 275,549.96 | 575    | 479.21            |

## NORTHFIELD SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

1969

|                             |            |            |
|-----------------------------|------------|------------|
| Net worth January 1, 1969   |            | \$1,496.23 |
| Opening cash balance        | \$561.27   |            |
| Receipts:                   |            |            |
| Sales to children           | \$7,661.25 |            |
| Sales to adults             | 610.10     |            |
| Sale of milk                | 492.20     |            |
| U.S.D.A. Claims recd.       | 3,669.56   |            |
| Other                       | 72.84      |            |
| Total receipts              | 12,505.95  |            |
| Available Cash              | 13,067.22  |            |
| Disbursements:              |            |            |
| Food                        | 6,416.31   |            |
| Labor                       | 6,758.50   |            |
| Other                       | 839.20     |            |
| Total Disbursements         | 14,014.01  |            |
| Closing cash balance        | - 946.79   |            |
| Closing cash balance        | -946.79    |            |
| U.S.D.A. Claims             | 1,063.29   |            |
| Inventory                   | 73.77      |            |
| Net worth December 31, 1969 |            | \$ 190.27  |

## CENSUS REPORT

|                        | Boys | Girls | Total |
|------------------------|------|-------|-------|
| Between ages 0 and 5   | 83   | 66    | 149   |
| Between ages 5 and 7   | 35   | 43    | 78    |
| Between ages 7 and 14  | 179  | 165   | 344   |
| Between ages 14 and 16 | 50   | 61    | 111   |

## ENROLLMENT BY GRADES, OCTOBER 1, 1969

| Grade  | K  | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | Total |
|--------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|-------|
| Boys   | 16 | 18 | 23 | 21 | 28 | 26 | 28 | 160   |
| Girls  | 28 | 17 | 18 | 23 | 20 | 27 | 23 | 156   |
| Totals | 44 | 35 | 41 | 44 | 48 | 53 | 51 | 316   |

## RESIDENT ENROLLMENT

|                                | Boys     | Girls    | Total    |
|--------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| Bement School                  | 1        |          | 1        |
| Austine School                 |          | 1        | 1        |
| Woods School, Pennsylvania     | 1        |          | 1        |
| N.H. County School             | 1        |          | 1        |
| Clarke School                  |          | 1        | 1        |
| Gill Special Class             | 1        | 1        | 2        |
| Mount Hermon                   | 13       |          | 13       |
| Northfield Schools             |          | 22       | 22       |
| Rhinebeck Co. School           | 1        |          | 1        |
| Ramsey Hall School             | 2        |          | 2        |
| Eaglebrook                     | 1        |          | 1        |
| Greenfield Vocational School   | 5        |          | 5        |
| Exeter Academy                 | 1        |          | 1        |
| Maria Assumption               |          | 2        | 2        |
| Hill School                    | 1        |          | 1        |
| Smith Vocational School        | 1        |          | 1        |
| Greenfield Special Class       | 3        |          | 3        |
| Meeting School, Rindge, N.H.   |          | 1        | 1        |
| Emma Willard School            |          | 1        | 1        |
|                                | <hr/> 32 | <hr/> 29 | <hr/> 61 |
| Pioneer Valley Regional School | 124      | 124      | 248      |



## REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Northfield School Committee:

It is with some difficulty that I submit my first annual report, in that I have only been associated with the Northfield School System for approximately three months.

During the past year, six staff changes occurred. Mr. Swen Nelson replaced Mr. Joseph Ruckman as 5th and 6th grade Science teacher. Mrs. Cecelia Goodwin replaced Miss Joan Martin as Vocal Music Instructor, Mrs. Sandra Adams replaced Mr. James McBride as Instrumental Music Instructor, Mr. A. Lee Kemp replaced Mrs. Elizabeth Schumaker as Physical Education Instructor, and Mrs. Mildred Closson succeeded Mrs. Agnes Caron as a cafeteria employee.

This year's enrollment as of December 1st was 326. This indicates a decrease in comparison with last year's figure of 331 students.

When I assumed my duties, the 4th grades were changing classes between the Center School and the north building for science, social studies and language arts. In order to alleviate the problem of having to change between buildings during the winter months, the 2nd grade was moved to the north building and the 4th grade was resituated in the Center School. The library has been re-established in its original location. The move has made for a much smoother operation in all areas concerned.

In conjunction with the Northfield School for Girls and Pioneer Valley Regional School, a tutorial program was established to provide additional help in the areas of reading, arithmetic, and spelling for students in grades three through six. High school students have been at the Center School on Saturday mornings to act as tutors during the help sessions. Students who are participating in the program are quite enthusiastic, and the operation is very smooth at this point. Some fourteen help sessions are planned to run from November 22, 1969, to May 23, 1970.

The basic reading program is in need of updating and the teaching staff has been studying the available materials to find the best program to fit the needs of all children in grades K-6. No decision has been made at this time.

A sports program was started this fall, and Mr. Nelson and I coached "flag" football, and Mr. Weston has planned a winter basketball program for both boys and girls. He will also handle baseball in the spring.

The teachers and students would like to express their gratitude to the P.T.A., and other people of the town, for working so diligently on the educational field trip project last spring, that was such a success.

I wish to express my appreciation to the Parent-Teachers' Association for their cooperation in helping to make our school a more enjoyable experience for the children and for helping to maintain a warm relationship between parents and teachers. We look forward to your continued support.

I would also like to express my sincere thanks to the following people: parents and teachers for their interest and suggestions, Mrs. Ann James for her assistance as school secretary, Mr. Roland L. Schqepf, Superintendent of Schools, for his guidance during the year, and Mr. Wallace Stange and members of the School Committee for their cooperation and support.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. KELLEY, III

Principal

#### REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Northfield School Committee:

During the school year of 1968-69 I examined all the students in grades two and four and kindergarten children who were not examined before entering school in September.

As usual in the Spring there was a pre-school clinic for children entering Kindergarten in the coming Fall. All children whose parents wished it, were given general health examinations.

A Mantoux testing program for tuberculosis was held for grades one and four under the sponsorship of the Franklin County Public Health Association. Eighty-seven tests were done - eighty-five were read and all were negative.

In April, I Tine-tested grade six for tuberculosis. All tests were negative.

Respectfully submitted,

ANSEL B. TRUE, M.D.

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Northfield School Committee:

Last January and February and again in September and October a total of 691 children were given audio and visual tests. Referrals were made for those failing either test.

In March and December, 140 children were given the Tuberculin Test by the County Health Service. All read negative. Sixth grade children who had missed the state test in the first and fourth grades were Tine tested for Tuberculosis by Dr. True. All of these tests also read negative.

A film for fifth and sixth grade girls and mothers was presented in April. A film for sixth grade boys and fathers was also presented. Due to the poor attendance, the two evenings it was shown, it will not be offered again.

Pre-school physicals were done in May and in November physicals were given to the second and fourth grades by Dr. True.

All children were weighed and measured at the beginning and close of the school year.

Flu vaccine was given to all school personnel who desired it in October with a booster in December.

This fall I attended an In-service Education program for Public Health Nurses at the University of Massachusetts.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to all school personnel for their cooperation which enabled me to accomplish all of these programs.

Respectfully submitted,

PAULINE E. ABAR, R.N.

School Nurse



## PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORT

## School Committee

|                                       |             |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| Mr. Charles A. Morse, Chairman        | Warwick     |
| Mrs. Carolyn Parenteau, Vice Chairman | Northfield  |
| Mr. John Senior, Secretary            | Bernardston |
| Mr. William E. Field, Jr.*            | Bernardston |
| Mr. Thomas Nettles                    | Bernardston |
| Mrs. Marion Zimmerman                 | Leyden      |
| Mr. Raymond Ainsworth                 | Leyden      |
| Mrs. Eva Baker                        | Leyden      |
| Mr. Frank J. Rockwell                 | Northfield  |
| Mr. Roy J. Fish                       | Northfield  |
| Miss Anita Pike                       | Warwick     |
| Mr. Albert Hubbard                    | Warwick     |
| Mr. Howard A. King                    | Treasurer   |

\*denotes past Chairman

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the Pioneer Valley Regional School Committee and the Citizens of Bernardston, Leyden, Northfield and Warwick:

In assuming a new position, one must acquire an awareness of existing educational programs in order to establish a frame of reference designed to serve as a point of departure for future considerations. A quick assessment of Pioneer Valley Regional School leads one to realize that lack of space will seriously affect the program. Originally built for 550 students, the predicted fall enrollment for 1970 stands in excess of 600, with evidence that it will continue to rise, based on a straight-line projection. Any unanticipated growth will compound the problems associated with over-crowding. What effect the enrollment has upon the program will depend in some measure upon the ingenuity of the administration, but there is no magic formula that provides a substitute for space; ultimately, the program would have to be trimmed to fit the facility. However, the proposed state minimum standards could make it mandatory to add to existing facilities in the near future if fully implemented.

A study of comprehensive high school needs is somewhat more involved than determining space requirements for an elementary school. With a diversified curriculum, some classes must be conducted in specialized facilities. Consequently, the collective educational plans of an expanded school population must



be considered, as opposed to the simple expedient of dividing children into classrooms. Further, because high school education is a prelude to post-secondary pursuits, it would seem appropriate to include a study of vocational and educational opportunities in the area. Thus would there be assurance that a broad approach was used in determining curriculum and space needs.

Although I have been here but a short while, it has been a pleasure to work with the school committee and the principal and his staff. I am certain that we shall be able to uphold the tradition of those who gave of their energies and expressed faith that the Pioneer Valley Regional School would serve well the educational requirements of its young people.

Respectfully submitted,

ROLAND L. SCHOEPP

Superintendent of Schools

## PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL -- 1969

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee:

It is with a great deal of pleasure, pride, and optimism that I submit to you my second annual report as principal of Pioneer Valley Regional School.

Our increased professional staff now includes forty members. We now have full time personnel for the first time in the capacities of vice-principal, librarian, art instructor and nurse. We also have two additional faculty members on our staff this year making it possible to retain teachers in only one field of specialization. I am attempting to concentrate teachers in their major fields of study only.

We have also been able to add a third full time custodian and a part time cafeteria worker.

Because of administrative changes over the past two years, we are currently in the process of evaluating, studying, and discussing several areas of our school program and many school policies which seem to be in need of revision.

#### Enrollment

Our school opened this September with an enrollment of 584. Because of the steady increase in enrollment figures over the years, our need for more classroom space and facilities continues to become more critical. Since as far back as the 1962 Annual Report of the Principal this awareness of overcrowded and inadequate school facilities has been made known, but to date little has been done to remedy the situation. I believe the time has come for some positive action to be taken.

If we are to expand our educational programs here at Pioneer, we must have the space available for them. At the present time we are holding classes in the auditorium, cafeteria, and both small conference rooms of the library.

The class enrollments as of December 1, 1969 were as follows:

|          | <u>Boys</u> | <u>Girls</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|----------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| Grade 7  | 48          | 52           | 100          |
| Grade 8  | 54          | 52           | 106          |
| Grade 9  | 62          | 47           | 109          |
| Grade 10 | 38          | 53           | 91           |
| Grade 11 | 41          | 48           | 89           |
| Grade 12 | 38          | 40           | 78           |
| Totals:  | 281         | 292          | 573          |

The enrollments by towns on December 1, 1969 were:

|             |     |
|-------------|-----|
| Bernardston | 206 |
| Leyden      | 50  |
| Northfield  | 251 |
| Warwick     | 35  |
| Gill        | 24  |
| Tuition     | 7   |

### Curriculum

Several courses were added to our educational program this year - Spanish II, World Geography, business law and economics. We were also able to increase our drafting program to two periods a day and our instrumental music program to three full days. With a full time art instructor, our total art program was increased and presently plans are being formulated for next year's art program. Our remedial reading program is continuing and we have been able to include several ninth graders as well as seventh and eighth graders in the program. In physical education a five week girls' field hockey unit was added along with a four week unit in wrestling for the boys. Our science program has been updated with the addition of our biology laboratory.

The summer of 1969 saw Pioneer's first summer school program. A summer math program was begun with a five week course in Algebra I and a two week course in pre-algebra offered. This made it possible for approximately twenty-five of our students to take geometry this fall, and also prepared another twenty-five eighth graders for our Algebra I course this fall.

Curriculum studies are being made in all departments at the present time as we are attempting to update all programs.

The computer scheduling of student programs for the first time has made it possible for approximately 96.5 percent of our students to get into all the courses they selected.

The major drawback to curriculum increases and revisions seems to be the space needs at P.V.R.S. This matter is extremely important if we are to expand our total school program to fit the needs of our students. We must have "space availability" if we are to update and increase our programs.

Storage space at Pioneer is also a problem. This area has been helped greatly by the addition of our athletic storage building, storage cabinets for our English and social studies departments, and student lockers.

The present enrollment in the high school subjects is as follows:

|                       |     |                    |     |
|-----------------------|-----|--------------------|-----|
| English 9             | 109 | Business Math      | 31  |
| English 10            | 91  | General Math 9     | 23  |
| English 11            | 89  | Refresher Math 12  | 13  |
| English 12            | 78  | Industrial Arts 9  | 30  |
| Speech 9              | 109 | Industrial Arts 10 | 15  |
| Speech 10             | 91  | Industrial Arts 11 | 9   |
| Latin I               | 7   | Industrial Arts 12 | 6   |
| Latin II              | 16  | Drafting           | 29  |
| Latin III             | 5   | Homemaking 9       | 26  |
| French I              | 28  | Homemaking 10      | 22  |
| French II             | 31  | Homemaking 11      | 15  |
| French III            | 5   | Homemaking 12      | 37  |
| Spanish I             | 51  | Typing I           | 30  |
| Spanish II            | 23  | Typing II          | 29  |
| General Science       | 81  | Personal Typing    | 65  |
| Biology               | 91  | Office Practice    | 36  |
| Chemistry             | 43  | Bookkeeping I      | 34  |
| Physics               | 17  | Bookkeeping II     | 26  |
| Introl. Chem. & Phy.  | 9   | Shorthand I        | 29  |
| Government            | 38  | Shorthand II       | 12  |
| Mod. European History | 51  | Phys. Ed. (Boys)   | All |
| U. S. History         | 89  | Phys. Ed. (Girls)  | All |
| Prob. of Democracy    | 78  | Business Law       | 19  |
| World Geography       | 21  | Senior Glee Club   | 36  |
| Algebra I             | 69  | Senior Band        | 41  |
| Algebra II            | 38  | Music Appreciation | 6   |
| Geometry              | 56  | Art                | 55  |
| Advanced Math         | 12  | Driver Ed          | 36  |
| Adv. Placement Math   | 4   |                    |     |

#### Extra Curricular Program

The extra curricular program offered to students is very important. Colleges use participation in these activities as one of the determining factors in college admissions.



These activities also build student morale and add much to the general interest of the student body. We believe we have a very fine program of extra curricular activities at P.V.R.S.

In our athletic program we now have full time coaching personnel for our Junior High athletic program (football, basketball, baseball) and they have regular scheduled games against other Junior High Schools in our area. We have also added field hockey to our girls' interscholastic program. In grades 7-12 we have a boys' wrestling club.

Our Student Council has been most active and involved in our extra-curricular programs. We also had the honor of serving as host school for the Western Massachusetts Student Council Convention this past fall. We were also involved in several Student Exchange programs and the Model Congress affair at American International College in Springfield.

Our dramatic presentations were a highlight of this past year. The P.V.R.S. students did an outstanding job with their Senior Play, one-act plays, and the spring musical Carnival.

Our Future Teachers of America Club was involved in a tutoring service at Center School. We also began a tutoring program whereby our own P.V.R.S. students were tutored by other Pioneer students.

Our Varsity Cheerleaders won three trophies while competing in cheerleading tournaments last spring.

A Chef's Club for seventh grade boys was introduced in the home economics department this fall.

I believe we are blessed with many and varied clubs and activities for a school our size. Furthermore, I am most appreciative of the efforts and the dedication of the faculty members who are involved in these activities. Their leadership and determination adds to the values received by the students who are a part of these many activities.

#### Commencement Program

The Baccalaureate Service for the Class of 1969 was conducted on Sunday, June 1, with a capacity audience in attendance. The message to the seniors was presented by the Rev. K. Hartley Sulston of the Northfield Schools. His message was both inspiring and thought-provoking. He was assisted in the program by Rev. Edward Roberts, Rev. Harvey Fleming and Rev. Elvin Blackstone.

The Graduation was held on Friday, June 6 at 8:00 P.M. in the gymnasium for 95 seniors. The featured address was by Dr. Howard L. Jones, President of Northfield and Mount Hermon Schools. The program follows:

|                                    |                                              |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| Processional: "God of Our Fathers" | Class of 1969                                |
| Pledge of Allegiance               | Audience                                     |
| Invocation                         | The Rev. Thomas A. Samson                    |
| Welcome                            | Jeffrey Kenney, Pres., Class of 1969         |
| Honor Essay                        | Linda Keech                                  |
| Honor Essay                        | Gary Smolen                                  |
| Songs                              | Chorus                                       |
|                                    | "Graduation Day" Sherman                     |
|                                    | "Happiness" Gesner                           |
|                                    | "Impossible Dream" arr. Ringwald             |
| Address: "1994"                    | Dr. Howard L. Jones                          |
|                                    | President, Northfield and Mt. Hermon Schools |
| Special Awards                     | William K. Decker, Prin.                     |
| Gift of the Class of 1969          | Jeffrey Kenney                               |
| Awarding of Diplomas               | Kenneth H. Sheetz, Supt.                     |
| Class Song                         | "You'll Never Walk Alone" Rodgers            |
|                                    | Singing Seniors and Class                    |
|                                    | Directed by Jeffrey Kenney                   |
| Benediction                        | The Rev. Louis Foxwell                       |
| Recessional                        | "Pomp and Circumstance" Class of 1969        |

The Class Officers and class roll were as follows:

|                |                |
|----------------|----------------|
| President      | Jeffrey Kenney |
| Vice President | Gary Smolen    |
| Secretary      | Davette Page   |
| Treasurer      | Anita Mello    |

|                           |                        |
|---------------------------|------------------------|
| James Michael Abbey       | James Edward Manning   |
| *Craig Harry Amsden       | William Andrew McComb  |
| John David Baldwin        | Linda McCrea           |
| *Bruce Jason Baker        | *Anita Joy Mello       |
| *James Myron Barber       | *Saralynn Merrill      |
| Sandra Calista Batchelder | Jean Louise Montague   |
| *Carolyn Ann Billings     | Harold William Murch   |
| Beverly Jean Bistrek      | Donna Marie Murley     |
| Deborah Ann Black         | Loraine Mae Nebelski   |
| Darleyne Ann Blake        | Janet Lee Nelson       |
| Larry Edward Bonnett      | Mary Elizabeth Newton  |
| Carlton Arthur Browning   | Barbara Ellen Olson    |
| Virginia Ann Callaghan    | Davette Page           |
| Susan Elizabeth Chase     | Lawrence Edward Parker |

|                              |                            |
|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| *Gary Neil Churchill         | Judith Louella Persons     |
| Sandra Jean Cranson          | Diane Elizabeth Potter     |
| Diane Marie Deane            | Daniel Peter Popkiewicz    |
| Donna Lee Deane              | David George Quinn, Jr.    |
| Mark Edward Drew             | *Virginia Gail Randall     |
| Mary Ellen Eastman           | Susan Payne Reed           |
| Audrey Carol Fellows         | Heather Marie Remillard    |
| Jeffory Alan Field           | William Allen Richardson   |
| Christine Gladys Fisher      | Wendy Thompson Seamans     |
| Merton Edward Fisher         | Linda Ann Sedgley          |
| Stephen Richard Foster       | Martha Lucy Shearer        |
| Diane May Frazier            | *Merrilyn Jean Siciak      |
| Jacqueline Joan Gens         | Darlene Louise Smart       |
| Gail Elise Given             | Urson Wells Smith          |
| *Donna Marie Grover          | *Gary Kent Smolen          |
| Margaret Ada Hale            | Nanette Snow               |
| *Andrew Ralph Haskell        | Linda Margaret Spears      |
| Craig Laurence Hilliker      | Bruce David Stevens        |
| *David James Holloway        | David Hermon Stone         |
| Donna Leigh Holloway         | Diane Harriet Stone        |
| Sandra Jean Holloway         | Joann Marie Stone          |
| Nancy Lee Hubbard            | Derrell Malcolm Stratford  |
| Allyn David Hurlburt         | Ronald Ernest Streeter     |
| JoAnn Gay Huber              | Patricia Louise Temple     |
| Roland Norman Johnson        | Penelope Anne Temple       |
| *Linda Rae Keech             | William Edward Townsend    |
| Jeffrey Edward Kenney        | Patricia Alice Tuttle      |
| Jeffrey Charles Kimball      | Leonard Wakefield Tyler    |
| Diane Marie LaBelle          | *Deborah Frances Underwood |
| Michael Walter Leach         | Alan Edward Vassar         |
| Janet Lippack                | Mark Robert Weston         |
| Caroline Ann Josephine Loura | Cynthia Whitney            |
| Joseph Marion Mankowsky      | Paul Douglas Wood          |
|                              | William John Young, Jr..   |

\*Member of National Honor Society

### Chosen Careers

The Class of 1969 has made plans for the future as follows:

|                        |    |               |    |
|------------------------|----|---------------|----|
| 4 year College         | 27 | Post Graduate | 1  |
| Community College      | 22 | Work          | 23 |
| Other two year schools | 3  | Service       | 7  |
| Three year school      | 1  | Marriage      | 6  |
| Short term schools     | 3  | Undecided     | 2  |
| Preparatory School     | 1  |               |    |



Awards and Scholarships

- Emily C. Jenness Awards (Bernardston)  
 Character - Davette Page  
 English - Deborah Underwood
- Isaac B. Snow (Two highest ranking students from Bernardston)  
 High - Donna Grover  
 2nd High - Gary Churchill
- George A. Warner - Linda McCrea
- Special Athletic Awards  
 Craig Amsden  
 Virginia Callaghan
- Warwick Community Scholarship - Audrey Fellows
- DAR Award - Davette Page
- Bausch & Lomb Award - Gary Smolen
- Leyden PTO Scholarship - Bruce Baker
- Northfield Kiwanis Scholarship  
 Beverly Bistrek  
 Stephen Foster
- Pioneer Valley Regional School PTA Scholarships  
 Craig Amsden  
 Deborah Underwood
- Pioneer Valley Union Teachers' Association Scholarships  
 Merrilyn Siciak  
 Merton Fisher
- Bernardston Men's Club Scholarship - Jeffrey Kenney
- Bernardston PTO Scholarship - Diane Deane
- Student Council Scholarship - Linda Keech
- Bernardston Kiwanis Scholarship - Gary Churchill
- Evelyn G. Lawley Award - Bruce Baker
- Northfield Elementary PTA Scholarship  
 Gary Smolen  
 Virginia Callaghan
- Northfield Fire Dept. Scholarship Award - Diane Frazier
- John Philip Sousa Award - Audrey Fellows
- Readers Digest Award - Linda Keech
- Northfield Fortnightly Scholarship Award - Gary Smolen
- Ladies Auxiliary of Veterans of Foreign Wars - Craig Amsden
- Theodore Cronyn Award - Craig Amsden
- National Merit Letter of Commendation  
 Gary Churchill  
 Virginia Randall
- Bradshaw Awards:  
 Outstanding Academic Achievement Award - Linda Keech  
 Outstanding School Spirit- Deborah Underwood & Gary Smolen  
 Sportsmanship Award - Virginia Callaghan & Paul Wood  
 Outstanding Improvement Award - Daniel Popkiewicz
- Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow Award - Linda Keech
- American Society Tool Manufacturers - Gary Smolen



### In Conclusion

If the year 1969 was successful, it was because of the combined efforts of the entire P.V.R.S. team. I definitely feel that the majority of our personnel are completely dedicated to the cause of providing the best possible educational advantages for the students at Pioneer, and have worked untiringly in 1969 towards this goal.

In this report I have attempted to mention our areas of improvement and concern. We have truthfully only begun not only to raise the educational opportunities available to our students but also hopefully their motivation and ours which is so necessary for success. How far we can go depends on many factors.

My optimism for the growth of Pioneer is also based on the intellectual capacities, the dedicated concern, and the personable warmth and leadership of our new Superintendent. I truly believe the future for Pioneer is bright, and this is also reflected by the cooperation and support I have been privileged to have received from the members of the School Committee, the teachers, other school personnel, students, parents and citizens of our Union 18. Their assistance, perseverance, and cooperation must be gratefully acknowledged at this time.

My sincere thanks to all. My continued dedication and concern for Pioneer.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM K. DECKER

Principal

## Report of School Funds

Student Funds

Balances on hand January 1, 1970

|                              |           |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| General Fund                 | \$ 198.20 |
| Student Council              | 1,044.82  |
| Class of 1970                | 1,866.75  |
| Class of 1971                | 884.39    |
| Class of 1972                | 612.75    |
| Class of 1973                | 101.89    |
| Class of 1974                | 123.58    |
| Band                         | 375.92    |
| Yearbook                     | 1,069.22  |
| Glee Club (deficit)          | 128.49    |
| Cheerleaders (deficit)       | 147.98    |
| National Honor Society       | 51.12     |
| Gym Club                     | 41.24     |
| French Club                  | 59.49     |
| Public Relations             | 592.36    |
| Future Teachers of America   | 21.54     |
| Drama Club                   | 25.52     |
| Library                      | 164.47    |
| Latin Club                   | 16.05     |
| Varsity Club                 | 249.46    |
| Pep Club                     | 99.58     |
| Chess Club                   | 30.00     |
| Future Homemakers of America | 28.31     |

Athletic Account -- 1969

|                                 |           |
|---------------------------------|-----------|
| Balance on hand January 1, 1970 | \$ 260.02 |
|---------------------------------|-----------|

Special Funds - Class Gifts

|               |          |
|---------------|----------|
| Class of 1965 | \$125.42 |
| Class of 1966 | 239.92   |
| Class of 1967 | 115.19   |
| Class of 1969 | 162.36   |

# PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL FACULTY

|                        |                              |                                                         |
|------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| Mr. William K. Decker  | Principal                    | Centre College, B.A.<br>Columbia University, M.A.       |
| Mr. Glenn Yankee       | Ass't. Prin.                 | Springfield College, B.S.<br>University of Mass., M.Ed. |
| Mrs. Margrette Bassett | Office Practice<br>Shorthand | Greensboro College for Women, B.A.                      |
| Mr. Irvin Bruneau      | Science, Physics             | St. Anselm's College, A.B.                              |
| Mr. Frank Buendo       | Social Studies               | Westfield State College, B.A.                           |
| Miss Virginia Busha    | English                      | University of Mass., B.A.                               |
| Mr. John Callahan      | Chem., Science               | Keene State College, B.Ed.<br>Boston University, M.Ed.  |
| Mrs. Antolina Chaviano | Spanish                      | University of Havana, LH.D, Ed.D.                       |
| Mr. Robert Coy         | Art                          | St. Andrews College, B.A.                               |
| Miss Betty Deane       | English                      | University of Mass., B.A.                               |
| Mr. Nelson Dyer        | Algebra                      | University of Mass., B.S., Ch.E.                        |
| Mr. Roger Genest       | English                      | Keene State College, B.E.                               |
| Mr. William R. Giles   | Biology                      | Olivet College, B.A.                                    |
| Mrs. Helen Gorzocoski  | Math                         | University of Mass., B.A.                               |
| Mrs. Beryle Hammond    | Home Economics               | University of N.H., B.S.                                |

|                          |                                 |                                                                             |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Mr. John Hogan           | Math, Shop                      | N. Adams State College, B.S.E.                                              |
| Mrs. Lois Hamphrey       | Reading<br>Physical Ed.         | Sargent College, B.U., B.S.                                                 |
| Mrs. Doris Hutchinson    | Latin, Eng.                     | Houghton College, B.A.                                                      |
| Mr. Gary Lambert         | Social Studies                  | American International College, B.A.                                        |
| Mr. Richard W. Lawson    | Science                         | University of Mass., B.S.                                                   |
| Mrs. Sylvia Liebenow     | English                         | Middlebury College, B.A.                                                    |
| Mr. Bruce Martin         | Social Studies                  | Keene State College, B.A.                                                   |
| Mr. Richard Martin       | Typing                          | Husson College, B.S.                                                        |
| Mr. William Messer       | Dir. of Athletics<br>Government | Springfield College, B.S.                                                   |
| Mrs. Nancy Moore         | Eng. Speech                     | Cedarville College, B.A.<br>Central State College, B.S.                     |
| Mr. Bennet Nicholson     | English                         | Keene State College, B.Ed.                                                  |
| Mr. John Peters          | Librarian                       | Trinity College, B.A.<br>Harvard University, M.Ed.<br>Simmons College, M.S. |
| Mrs. Virginia Peterson   | Home Economics                  | University of Mass., B.S.                                                   |
| Mr. Alan Rogers          | Guidance                        | Marlboro College, B.A.<br>Keene State College, M.Ed.                        |
| Mrs. Elizabeth Schumaker | Physical Ed.                    | Westbrook Jr. College, A.A.<br>Sargent College, B.S.                        |



|                       |                    |                                       |
|-----------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Mr. John Trumbull     | Soc. Studies       | University of Mass., B.A., M.Ed.      |
| Mrs. Betty Turner     | Vocal Music        | Lynchburg College, A.B.               |
| Mrs. Anne D. VanTine  | French             | Northern Illinois U., B.A.            |
| Mr. Linwood Wallace   | Ind. Arts          | Gorham State Teachers College, B.S.   |
| Mr. Alfred Waryowski  | Physical Ed.       | Springfield College, B.S.             |
|                       | Science            |                                       |
| Mr. Charles Welner    | Guidance           | University of Maine, B.S.             |
|                       |                    | University of N.H., M.S.T.            |
| Mrs. Ruth Young       | Bookkeeping        | Am. International College, B.S., M.A. |
| Mrs. Sandra Adams     | Instrumental Music | University of N. Hampshire, B.S.      |
| Principal's Secretary | -                  | Mrs. Madeline Trumbull                |
| Guidance Secretary    | -                  | Miss Gertrude Lauber                  |
| School Nurse          | -                  | Mrs. Dorothy Streeter, R.N.           |
| School Doctor         | -                  | Dr. Ansel B. True                     |
| Cafeteria Workers     |                    | Mrs. Agnes Wickey, Head               |
|                       |                    | Mrs. Nellie Barber, Mrs. Ada Field,   |
|                       |                    | Mrs. Agnes Caron, Mrs. Evelyn Hicks   |
| Custodians            | -                  | Mr. Donald Belsky                     |
|                       |                    | Mr. John D. Ware                      |
|                       |                    | Mr. Fred E. Varney                    |

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Pioneer Valley Regional School Committee:

Two hundred eighty-three of the present five hundred seventy-four students were examined by me during the 1968-69 school year. There were the students of grades seven and ten and the members of the football, volleyball, baseball, softball, basketball, cross country and track teams.

It was gratifying to find so few physical defects - only twenty-eight notices were sent to parents. Of these, only three were reminders of the need for dental care.

During the fall months an influenza immunization clinic was held for the teachers.

I also attended all the home football games and administered necessary first aid.

Respectfully submitted,

ANSEL B. TRUE, M.D.

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Pioneer Valley Regional School Committee:

Physical examinations for football were done in August, while examinations for students involved in cross country, volleyball, basketball and for all students in grades 7 and 10 were completed in the fall of 1969.

A flu clinic was held for all interested school personnel in the fall.

Home Nursing was taught to senior girls.

Mantoux testing for Tuberculosis was done for those ninth graders with parental permission in both March and December 1969.

Sam, the smoking dummy, was on display in the lobby to show the effects of smoking on the lungs.

Foot inspection, for plantar warts, was done through the gym and 14 cases were discovered; of these, eight are now under treatment.

Eye and ear tests were completed for all pupils with proper referrals made for those who failed either test.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY STREETER, R.N.

#### REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Pioneer Valley Regional School Committee:

This year the instrumental music program has been expanded by having instrumental music taught in the Junior and Senior High three full days per week. Both the Junior and Senior High Bands have been rehearsing three periods a week. Due to an unavoidable scheduling problem, several members of both bands are unable to rehearse with the rest of the band. Therefore, they have instrumental music lessons during their study halls. Although this makes it difficult for the bands, the students have been working very hard to overcome this obstacle.

The Senior High Band had a successful marching season during the Fall. They marched at all home and away football games. Towards the end of the season they had new gold drums which added color to the visual affect of the band. At the end of football season, they began preparing for concert season. December 17 the Senior Band gave their first concert - a Christmas Concert - open to the public. This concert was well received by a large and appreciative audience. December 23 they presented an assembly for the student body and faculty.

Eight members of the Senior Band auditioned for the All New England Band on December 13 in White River Junction, Vermont. This was the first time any Pioneer Valley band members had auditioned for such a festival.

Future plans include a Pops Concert in February, an exchange concert in the Spring and of course Memorial Day Activities.

The Junior High Band played at the Homecoming Game, the Christmas Concert, and the Christmas assembly. Most of their rehearsal time is spent learning techniques of playing their instruments in order to better prepare them for the Senior Band. Extra rehearsals are often scheduled for sections of the band that need remedial work. The Junior Band will assist the Senior Band in the Pops Concert and in the Memorial Day



activities.

My appreciation is expressed to the administration, faculty, and student body for their support and encouragement in the music program this year.

Respectfully submitted,

SANDRA L. ADAMS

#### REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF VOCAL MUSIC

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Pioneer Valley Regional School Committee:

The Vocal Music teacher is employed on a 50% basis. The vocal music program at P.V.R.S. is centered in two areas. These areas are the General Music Classes and the performing groups.

The General music classes are required for all seventh and eighth graders. These classes meet for one fifty minute period a week. The program for these classes are centered around four areas: Singing, Appreciation, Fundamentals and Creativity. Eighth graders study "Music and Composers of Our Country", seventh graders study "Music and Composers of Other Countries." Music of the seasons and holidays are used in both classes.

A highlight of the music class is a field trip to Springfield to the Youth Concert sponsored by the Springfield Symphony Orchestra. This year our seventh and eighth graders attended two of these concerts - one in January and one in November.

#### Junior High Performing groups:

1. Seventh grade Glee Club - 59 members
  2. Eighth grade Folksingers - 42 members - 26 Spring, 16 Fall
  3. Girls' Glee Club - 56 members - grade 7 - 30, grade 8 - 26
- Girls' Glee Club was started this Fall.

#### Performances:

1. The eighth grade Folksingers sponsored a talent show for a Junior High assembly in the Spring.
2. They, also, presented a program for the Greenfield Kiwanis Club.
3. The seventh and eighth grade singers participated in an original Christmas pageant "Christmas Around the World".

#### Senior High Performing groups:

1. Senior Chorus - 35 members - Fall 1969 - gr. 9- 15,



- gr. 10 - 9, gr. 11 - 6, gr. 12 - 5
2. Singing Seniors - 15 members - active until graduation 1969
  3. Girl's Trio - 3 members - started this Fall.

Performances:

1. A Broadway musical, "Carnival" was the Spring production of the Senior Chorus and Drama Club.
2. Baccalaureate - Chorus
3. Graduation - Chorus and Singing Seniors
4. Veterans' Day Assembly - Chorus and Student Council
5. Christmas Concert - Chorus, Junior High Singers and Band, presented twice - an evening concert for public and an assembly for students.

Highlight: The Senior Chorus took a trip to Boston to see the Broadway musical "Man of LaMancha".

Honors: One member of the chorus was selected for Western District Chorus and All State Chorus.

The Senior Chorus this (Fall) is largely made up of ninth and tenth graders as fifteen seniors graduated in June. However, this group has a great potential and promises to be a good group when more experience and vocal maturity is gained.

Respectfully submitted,

BETTY J. TURNER

Director of Vocal Music

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REPORT OF THE TREASURER

January 1, 1969 - December 31, 1969

Balance on hand December 31, 1969

|                                             |           |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Capital                                     | \$ 951.84 |
| Operational                                 | 44,684.75 |
| School Lunches                              | 2,198.23  |
| Athletic Fund-insurance account             | 644.13    |
| Athletic Fund                               | 224.62    |
| George Barden Fund - E. P. A.               | 90.00     |
| National Defense Education Act:             |           |
| Title I                                     | 847.72    |
| Title III                                   | 1.18      |
| Title V                                     | 483.86    |
| Reserve for Maturing Debt(Savings Deposits) | 19210.56  |
| Trust Funds, Savings Deposit                | 340.16    |
| Trust Funds, cash                           | 44.86     |
|                                             | <hr/>     |
|                                             | 69,721.91 |

RECEIPTS - CAPITAL

|                              |           |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| Reimbursement and aid on     |           |
| construction                 | 44,695.17 |
| Interest on savings deposits | 898.15    |
| Town of Bernardston          |           |
| assessment                   | 10,215.58 |
| Town of Leyden assessment    | 3,527.68  |
| Town of Northfield           |           |
| assessment                   | 19,181.76 |
| Town of Warwick assessment   | 3,821.65  |
|                              | <hr/>     |
|                              | 82,339.99 |

RECEIPTS - OPERATIONAL

|                            |            |
|----------------------------|------------|
| Reimbursement for trans-   |            |
| portation                  | 48,175.00  |
| Town of Bernardston        |            |
| assessment                 | 135,975.26 |
| Town of Leyden assessment  | 34,359.34  |
| Town of Northfield         |            |
| assessment                 | 212,735.45 |
| Town of Warwick assessment | 28,510.95  |
| Tuition:                   |            |
| Charles Alexander          | 625.00     |
| Town of Gill               | 18,221.01  |
| Town of Green-             |            |
| field                      | 1,217.94   |
| Thomas Hensel              | 625.00     |
| Summer School              |            |
| classes                    | 680.00     |
|                            | <hr/>      |
|                            | 21,368.95  |

## Miscellaneous:

|                                        |        |
|----------------------------------------|--------|
| Evening Pract. Arts                    | 135.05 |
| Use of building                        | 162.50 |
| Shop projects and<br>sale of materials | 231.81 |
| Lost and damaged<br>books              | 70.21  |
| State Aid to voca-<br>tional schools   | 53.91  |
| Land taking                            | 908.37 |
| Breakage and<br>vandalism              | 632.20 |
| Driver education                       | 350.00 |
| Other receipts                         | 196.93 |

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 2,740.98

483,865.93

|                                |           |
|--------------------------------|-----------|
| George Barden Fund (E.P.A.)    | 787.50    |
| National Defense Act Title I   | .20       |
| National Defense Act Title III | 586.38    |
| National Defense Act Title V   | 298.50    |
| National Defense Act Title VI  | 749.00    |
| School Lunches                 | 28,949.01 |
| Athletic Fund                  | 3,201.17  |

Franklin County Trust Co. - temporary  
loans in anticipation of revenue  
from towns

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 110,000.00 710,777.68
TOTAL RECEIPTS AND HOLDINGS


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 780,499.59
DISBURSEMENTS - CAPITAL

|                           |           |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| Interest due May 1        | 275.00    |
| Interest due November 1   | 220.00    |
| Interest due January 1    | 7,150.00  |
| Interest due July 1       | 7,150.00  |
| Redemption of 2.20% bonds | 5,000.00  |
| Redemption of 2.75% bonds | 65,000.00 |

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 84,795.00
DISBURSEMENTS - OPERATIONAL

|                              |            |
|------------------------------|------------|
| Administration               | 18,643.76  |
| Instruction                  | 330,070.30 |
| Other Services               | 63,636.07  |
| Operation and Maintenance    | 49,787.48  |
| Fixed Charges                | 6,898.07   |
| Interest on temporary loans  | 722.22     |
| Acquisition of Equipment     | 11,239.01  |
| Construction of storage shed | 7,450.00   |

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 488,446.91

|                      |           |
|----------------------|-----------|
| School Lunches       | 31,056.27 |
| Athletic Association | 3,165.77  |

|                                                                                            |            |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| George Barden Fund - E.P.A. instruction                                                    | 1,162.50   |
| National Defense Act, Title I                                                              | 847.92     |
| National Defense Act, Title III                                                            | 586.31     |
| National Defense Act, Title V                                                              | 75.93      |
| National Defense Act, Title VI                                                             | 742.37     |
| Franklin County Trust Co. payment of temporary loans in anticipation of revenue from towns | 110,000.00 |
| Transferred to Trust Accounts - Cash and Securities:                                       |            |
| Trust Funds, Savings                                                                       |            |
| Deposit                                                                                    | 340.16     |
| Trust Funds, cash                                                                          | 44.86      |

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385.02

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

721,264.00

Balance on hand December 31, 1969

|                                             |           |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Capital                                     | 898.15    |
| Operational                                 | 40,103.77 |
| School Lunches                              | 90.97     |
| Athletic Fund - insurance account           | 644.13    |
| Athletic Fund                               | 260.02    |
| George Barden - Evening Practical Arts      | (285.00)  |
| National Defense Education Act:             |           |
| Title III                                   | 1.25      |
| Title V                                     | 706.43    |
| Title VI                                    | 6.63      |
| Reserve for Maturing Debt(Savings Deposits) | 16,809.24 |

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59,235.59

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780,499.59

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TRUST ACCOUNTS - CASH AND SECURITIES

|                            |        |
|----------------------------|--------|
| Balance, December 31, 1968 | 385.02 |
|----------------------------|--------|

Receipts:

|                                      |          |
|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Franklin Savings Institution account |          |
| #1107330 Theodore Cronyn Scholarship |          |
| Fund                                 | 1,025.00 |
| Savings interest                     | 15.35    |

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1,425.37

Disbursements:

|                                                                   |          |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Books purchased for library from Powers Institute 1903 Class Fund | 240.83   |
| Balance on hand December 31, 1969:                                |          |
| Powers Institute 1903 Class Fund                                  | 155.16   |
| Theodore Cronyn Scholarship Fund                                  | 1,029.38 |

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1,425.37

Respectfully submitted,  
HOWARD A. KING, Treasurer



PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL  
LUNCH PROGRAM

1969

Net worth January 1, 1969 \$2,511.01

Opening cash balance \$692.79

Receipts:

|                       |             |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| Sales to children     | \$20,878.90 |
| Sales to adults       | 1,305.00    |
| Sale of milk          | 412.05      |
| U.S.D.A. Claims recd. | 6,317.05    |
| Other                 | 37.01       |

Total receipts 28,950.01

Available cash 29,642.80

Disbursements:

|       |           |
|-------|-----------|
| Food  | 20,982.68 |
| Labor | 9,495.20  |
| Other | 1,237.08  |

Total disbursements 31,714.96

Closing cash balance \$ -2,072.16

|                      |              |
|----------------------|--------------|
| Closing cash balance | \$ -2,072.16 |
| U.S.D.A. Claims      | 2,071.97     |
| Inventory            | 236.75       |

Net worth December 31, 1969 \$236.56

## PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE FINANCIAL REPORT

December 31, 1969

|                                     | Approp.<br>1969 | Expended<br>1969 | Budget<br>1970 |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|----------------|
| 1000 Administration                 | \$ 18,587.80    | \$18,651.56      | \$ 18,810.00   |
| 2000 Instruction                    | 347,368.00      | 330,170.30       | 374,761.00     |
| 3000 Other Services                 | 62,575.00       | 63,636.07        | 69,761.00      |
| 4000 Operation and Maint.           | 51,220.00       | 49,907.48        | 59,536.00      |
| 5000 Fixed Charges                  | 9,420.00        | 7,620.29         | 17,940.00      |
| 7000 Acquisition of<br>Fixed Assets | 8,500.00        | 11,239.01        | 16,092.00      |
| TOTALS                              | \$497,670.80    | \$481,224.71     | \$556,900.00   |

1970

## OPERATING BUDGET

|                        |              |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Total operating budget | \$556,900.00 |
|------------------------|--------------|

## Anticipated revenue:

|                     |                 |             |
|---------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Transportation      | \$48,175.00     |             |
| Tuition             | 21,370.00       |             |
| Evening Pract. Arts | 135.00          |             |
| Driver Education    | 350.00          |             |
| Miscellaneous       | <u>2,256.00</u> |             |
|                     |                 | \$72,286.00 |

|                        |                  |
|------------------------|------------------|
| Appropriate from E & D | <u>20,000.00</u> |
|------------------------|------------------|

92,286.00

|                           |              |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| Net Operating Budget 1970 | \$464,614.00 |
|---------------------------|--------------|

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1970 shares based on 10/1/69 enrollment

1969 shares

|                   |                  |       |                  |
|-------------------|------------------|-------|------------------|
| Bernardston (208) | \$176,630.13     | (186) | \$135,975.00     |
| Leyden ( 50)      | 42,664.28        | ( 47) | 34,359.00        |
| Northfield (252)  | 214,601.33       | (291) | 212,736.00       |
| Warwick ( 37)     | <u>30,718.26</u> | ( 39) | <u>28,511.00</u> |
|                   | \$464,614.00     |       | \$411,581.00     |

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
CAPITAL BUDGET  
1970

|                                      |          |             |             |
|--------------------------------------|----------|-------------|-------------|
| Maturing debt, May                   |          | \$ 5,000.00 |             |
| Maturing debt, July                  |          | 65,000.00   |             |
| Interest \$20,000 May                | 220.00   |             |             |
| Interest \$15,000 November           | 165.00   |             |             |
| Interest \$455,000 January           | 6,256.25 |             |             |
| Interest \$455,000 July              | 6,256.25 | 12,897.50   |             |
|                                      |          |             | \$82,897.50 |
| Against this amount we are applying: |          |             |             |
| State Aid Building reimbursement     |          | 44,695.17   |             |
| Appropriate from:                    |          |             |             |
| E & D Surplus                        |          |             |             |
| 1969 Savings interest                |          | 898.15      |             |
| Savings withdrawal                   |          | 2,338.40    |             |
|                                      |          |             | 47,931.72   |
| To be asked from the Towns           |          |             | \$34,965.78 |

1970 Shares

|             |       |            |             |
|-------------|-------|------------|-------------|
| Bernardston | 27.8% | \$9,720.49 |             |
| Leyden      | 9.6   | 3,356.71   |             |
| Northfield  | 52.2  | 18,252.14  |             |
| Warwick     | 10.4  | 3,636.44   |             |
|             |       |            | \$34,965.78 |

## REPORT OF SCHELL POOL COMMITTEE

The Schell Pool program, which includes a Red Cross swimming program and daily swimming with a lifeguard on duty, fills an important gap in the Northfield, East Northfield area summer recreation program. There are several serious problems, however, that keep this facility from being used by more than a very limited number of families.

First, the bottom of the pool has several feet of silt and sticks which beaver have been responsible for bringing in. The Northfield Inn administrator has agreed to use the resources of the Inn and the Schools to clean out the pool. This will mean expenditures by the town to rebuild the beach area when the dredging is completed. Cost of sand for the beach and bottom of the pool will be about three hundred dollars, not including labor, for approximately three hundred tons of sand, as recommended by Northfield Washed Sand and Gravel Company, Inc.

Second, a new raft needs to be built. Also paint and minor repairs to the bath house and other equipment need to be made. Supplies for these items will be about two hundred dollars.

Third, the most serious problem is the thirty acre swamp created by the beaver which fills the pool. This swamp has discolored the water, ruined those acres of forest that would guarantee clear water, and, although the state Board of Health has approved the pool for swimming, presents a serious threat to the health of the swimmer. Getting rid of the beaver is extremely difficult and will require several years of concerted effort in cooperation with the state Game and Fisheries. Unless this area is rid of beaver it is unlikely that the pool will attract large groups of swimmers.

The Northfield Inn, according to recent conversations with the administration, has no plans to change the Schell Pool area. It will, in all probability, remain available to the town for many years. It is worth improving if only because it is a large, lovely, protected swimming area ideal for young children. A budget of two thousand dollars for the year 1970 will be needed to return the pool to good condition.

The members of the committee express their condolences to the Bistrek family whose mother, Lois, died suddenly in the fall of 1969. As chairman of the committee and later as a member of the committee, she was at all times the one person who worked the hardest to maintain the Schell Pool swimming program.

Rev. LOUIS W. FOXWELL  
Chairman



## CEMETERY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Northfield's cemeteries have received their usual care and maintenance during 1969.

Expenditures for same may be found in the report of the Town Accountant.

We wish to sincerely thank on behalf of the Town the Mount Hermon School and the Alumni Association which organized a Work Day at Mount Hermon Cemetery at which time they cleaned up brush and the entire Cemetery, pulled out some old stumps, repaired the front fence, installing pickets and rails where needed and painted the front. Supplies and materials were donated by Mount Hermon School.

The following men participated in this project: Paul Bowman '19, Robert Burnham '51, William Cairns '22, Harry Erickson '20, Ralph Forsaith '13, Melvin Hollidge '25, George Olsen '24, Gordon Pyper '28, Marvin Thompson '30, Robert White '50 and son. Also from the Administration Arthur Kiendl, William Morrow, and Robert Wood, and from the Maintenance Department, Archer Davis and Joseph Smolen.

We wish to report the following receipts:

|                                                                                                                               |                |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| From Owen & Emma H. Stacey on Acct. for Lots #257 & 258 in West Northfield Cemetery                                           | \$25.00        |
| From Mrs. Helen E. Clough<br>For Lot #253 in West Northfield Cemetery                                                         | 15.00          |
| From Clayton P.B. Miller, 360 Chapman St.,<br>Greenfield, Mass. for perpetual care of<br>Lot #26 in Northfield Farms Cemetery | 100.00         |
| From Everett Aldrich, Mt. Hermon Road,<br>For Lot #129½ in West Northfield Cemetery                                           | 15.00          |
| From Charles W. & Virginia B. Porter<br>For lot #48½ in Northfield Farms Cemetery                                             | 15.00          |
| From Alvin N. & Elizabeth D. Scott<br>For Lot #189 in Center Cemetery                                                         | 25.00          |
| From Hermon B. Fisher for Lots #172 &<br>#173 in West Northfield Cemetery                                                     | 50.00          |
| Total                                                                                                                         | <hr/> \$245.00 |

Respectfully submitted,

OWEN STACEY  
RICHARD H. BASSETT  
HORACE F. FIELD

## TREE WARDEN'S REPORT

To the Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Northfield:

I hereby submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1969.

This past year 21 trees had to be removed that were dead or a hazard to the streets or highways.

This spring 66 trees were planted along our streets and highways. There will be 50 trees available from the nursery for planting this year.

This year flowers were planted in front of the Town Hall, water fountain, Alexander Hall, V. F. W. Hall, Veteran's Memorial and West Northfield Playground Association.

Through the generosity of the Village Improvement Society, a donation of \$175.00 was gratefully received.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH S. BILMON  
Tree Warden

## MOTH SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

During the year 1969, 125 diseased Elm Trees were removed and burned. There were 90 samples taken and sent to the Shade Tree Laboratories for culture. A total of 156 trees were found positive and they should be removed and burned by April 1, 1970. These trees are located as follows:

|    |                  |
|----|------------------|
| 50 | Northfield       |
| 48 | East Northfield  |
| 30 | West Northfield  |
| 28 | Northfield Farms |

We were again able to have the personnel of the Shade Tree Laboratories help us take samples for culture.

## GYPSY MOTH AND JAPANESE BEETLE

Again we have not had a noticeable build-up of the Gypsy Moth.

The Japanese Beetles were on the increase this year. Some build-up of this pest was noted in some areas.

The mosquito and black fly spraying was continued. This service is available on private properties if requested by the owner.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the townspeople, and the Board of Selectmen. I also want to thank the men in my department and the men of the Northfield Highway Department for their splendid cooperation in helping me carry out the various programs this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH S. BILMON  
Moth Superintendent

#### CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Town of Northfield has participated in Radio Communication Drills, attended Sector Meetings, submitted required reports, co-operated in issuing Flood and Storm Warnings, and has met the prerequisites for participation in Federally sponsored programs.

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE F. FIELD  
Civil Defense Director

## TOWN ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

In compliance with the provisions of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, I submit the following report of the Accountant's Department for the calendar year ending December 31, 1969, including the source of all receipts, detail of appropriations and expenditures, statement of trust funds and town debt, and a balance sheet showing the financial condition of the town on January 1, 1970.

ANN P. JAMES  
Town Accountant

## RECEIPTS

## Taxes:

|                                   |            |              |
|-----------------------------------|------------|--------------|
| 1968 Personal Property            | \$ 167.40  |              |
| Real Estate                       | 16,199.82  | \$ 16,367.22 |
| 1969 Personal Property            | 108,751.45 |              |
| Real Estate                       | 315,504.04 | 424,255.49   |
| Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise: |            |              |
| Levy of 1966                      | 5.78       |              |
| Levy of 1967                      | 298.10     |              |
| Levy of 1968                      | 11,281.69  |              |
| Levy of 1969                      | 62,246.63  | 73,832.20    |
| Farm Animal Excise:               |            |              |
| Levy of 1969                      |            | 1,737.00     |
| Accounts Receivable:              |            |              |
| General Relief                    | 168.55     |              |
| M.A. Adm.                         | 818.68     |              |
| M.A.                              | 1,363.91   |              |
| D.A. Adm.                         | 2.83       |              |
| Veterans' Benefits                | 180.13     |              |
| School Department                 | 610.00     | 3,144.10     |
| Aid to Highways:                  |            |              |
| State                             | 43,828.39  |              |
| County                            | 9,100.00   | 52,928.39    |
| Federal Grants:                   |            |              |
| M.A. Adm.                         | 12.37      |              |
| M.A.                              | 1,455.02   | 1,467.39     |
| Payroll Deductions:               |            |              |
| Federal Withholding               | 25,792.44  |              |
| State Withholding                 | 4,891.40   |              |
| County Retirement                 | 3,513.14   |              |
| Teachers' Retirement              | 5,623.64   |              |
| Blue Cross-Blue Shield            | 3,016.95   |              |



|                                   |           |            |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Life Insurance                    | 177.82    |            |
| Teachers' Credit Union            | 1,248.00  |            |
| Teachers' Association Dues        | 378.00    |            |
| Teachers' Annuity                 | 4,147.50  | 48,788.89  |
| Trust Funds Interest:             |           |            |
| Elisha Alexander Charity          | 94.70     |            |
| George F. Morgan Charity          | 155.64    |            |
| Roselle Evans Poor                | 25.93     |            |
| Starkweather Charity              | 375.00    |            |
| Belcher Center School             | 64.85     |            |
| Belcher Library                   | 505.20    |            |
| Maude Montague Library            | 104.22    |            |
| Marina Stanley Library            | 28.19     |            |
| Charles P. Dickinson Book         | 155.64    |            |
| DAR Book                          | 5.18      |            |
| PC Center, Mt. Hermon, So. Mt.    | 967.31    |            |
| PC Northfield Farms               | 212.75    |            |
| PC West Northfield                | 488.17    |            |
| PC Mary Callender Lot, Mt. Hermon | 25.93     |            |
| PC Calvin Stearns Lot, Center     | 25.93     |            |
| Surplus Revenue School Fund       | 83.00     | 3,317.64   |
| State:                            |           |            |
| Loss of Taxes                     | 1,536.23  |            |
| Chapter 70, School Aid            | 81,512.25 |            |
| Special Education                 | 1,930.00  |            |
| Transportation                    | 17,020.71 |            |
| Vocational Education              | 3,459.52  |            |
| Library Aid                       | 580.00    |            |
| Valuation Basis                   | 11,780.31 |            |
| State Tax Basis                   | 24,500.00 |            |
| Machinery Basis                   | 300.69    | 142,619.71 |
| Tax Collector's Costs             |           | 709.00     |
| Interest on Taxes                 |           | 1,115.00   |
| Tax Title Redeemed                |           | 3,184.21   |
| Tax Title Costs                   |           | 21.86      |
| Road Machinery Fund               |           | 7,009.10   |
| Employer's Fee, State Taxes       |           | 22.33      |
| Rent, Town Hall                   |           | 52.00      |
| Rent, Alexander Hall              |           | 26.00      |
| Disposal Permits                  |           | 42.00      |
| Plumbing Permits                  |           | 178.50     |
| Building Permits                  |           | 44.01      |
| Licenses Granted                  |           | 2,126.50   |
| Nurse's Fees                      |           | 1,913.75   |
| Medicare Reimbursements           |           | 307.99     |
| Library Fines                     |           | 283.45     |
| Sale of Library Books             |           | 15.00      |
| Court Fines                       |           | 205.00     |
| Dog Licenses                      |           | 482.00     |

|                                            |            |
|--------------------------------------------|------------|
| County Dog Refund                          | 328.83     |
| County Dog Officer                         | 509.00     |
| Wild Cat Bounty                            | 10.00      |
| School Lunch                               | 13,060.02  |
| Gift for Town Beautification               | 175.00     |
| Sale of Cemetery Lots                      | 210.00     |
| Sale of Real Estate Fund Interest          | 65.37      |
| Sale of Land                               | 2,231.78   |
| Miscellaneous Sale                         | 1,020.80   |
| Trust Funds                                | 110.00     |
| U.S. Bond Interest                         | 250.00     |
| Swimming Pool Receipts                     | 218.00     |
| County Dutch Elm Allotment                 | 454.41     |
| Certificates of Deposit Interest           | 2,201.39   |
| Firearms Fees                              | 460.00     |
| Firearms I.D. Cards                        | 116.00     |
| Clinic Fees                                | 152.59     |
| Insurance Claims                           | 212.52     |
| Police Reports                             | 6.00       |
| Sale of Fire Truck                         | 315.00     |
| Federal Regional School District Allotment | 12,143.37  |
| Revenue Cash Investments                   | 475,000.00 |
| Temporary Loan                             | 60,000.00  |
| National Defense Education, Title III      | 341.49     |
| Reimbursements                             | 911.64     |
| Ambulance Service                          | 665.00     |
| Refunds                                    | 699.86     |

|                               |    |              |
|-------------------------------|----|--------------|
| Total Receipts                | \$ | 1,358,063.80 |
| Cash on Hand, January 1, 1969 |    | 66,839.56    |
|                               | \$ | 1,424,903.36 |

## RECAPITULATION

|                                  | App.     | Spent    | Balance |
|----------------------------------|----------|----------|---------|
| Moderator                        | 35.00    | 35.00    |         |
| Moderator's Expense              | 15.00    | 7.00     | 8.00    |
| Selectmen                        | 2,150.00 | 2,150.00 |         |
| Selectmen's Expense              | 750.00   | 728.08   | 21.92   |
| Selectmen's Secretary            | 1,600.00 | 1,600.00 |         |
| Accountant                       | 1,200.00 | 1,200.00 |         |
| Accountant's Expense             | 100.00   | 66.71    | 33.29   |
| Legal Expense                    | 360.00   | 360.00   |         |
| 1968 Unpaid Bill                 | 245.00   | 245.00   |         |
| Treasurer                        | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 |         |
| Treasurer's Expense              | 653.42   | 653.42   |         |
| Tax Collector                    | 1,200.00 | 1,200.00 |         |
| Tax Collector's Expense          | 800.00   | 631.04   | 168.96  |
| Tax Title Foreclosure Costs      | 510.40   | 94.43    | 415.97  |
| Protection of Tax Title Property | 25.00    |          | 25.00   |

|                                            |            |            |          |
|--------------------------------------------|------------|------------|----------|
| Assessors                                  | 1,775.00   | 1,775.00   |          |
| Assessors' Clerk                           | 1,100.00   | 1,100.00   |          |
| Assessors' Expense                         | 820.10     | 762.42     | 57.68    |
| Town Clerk                                 | 850.00     | 850.00     |          |
| Town Clerk's Expense                       | 100.00     | 100.00     |          |
| Election and Registration                  | 1,000.00   | 863.70     | 136.30   |
| Planning Board Expense                     | 200.00     | 85.74      | 114.26   |
| Master Plan of Town                        | 1,500.00   | 1,441.85   | 58.15    |
| Finance Board Expense                      | 75.00      | 55.60      | 19.40    |
| Town Hall                                  | 7,000.00   | 6,594.91   | 405.09   |
| Town Hall Heating System                   | 9,000.00   | 8,857.56   | 142.44   |
| Fire Department Salaries                   | 500.00     | 500.00     |          |
| Fire Department Operating Exp.             | 6,000.00   | 4,797.46   | 1,202.54 |
| Fire Department Hose & Equip.              | 1,400.00   | 1,382.57   | 17.43    |
| Hydrants                                   | 500.00     | 500.00     |          |
| Water Holes                                | 400.00     |            | 400.00   |
| Maint. of Fire Station & Garage            | 2,000.00   | 2,000.00   |          |
| Public Safety                              | 50.00      | 50.00      |          |
| Wire Inspector                             | 25.00      |            | 25.00    |
| Tree Trimming and Planting                 | 1,200.00   | 1,140.20   | 59.80    |
| Dutch Elm Control                          | 3,000.00   | 2,361.58   | 638.42   |
| Insect and Pest Control                    | 850.00     | 459.55     | 390.45   |
| Dog Officer and Expense                    | 250.00     | 250.00     |          |
| Health                                     | 2,000.00   | 1,979.72   | 20.28    |
| Dump Control                               | 2,000.00   | 1,753.32   | 246.68   |
| Ambulance Service                          | 1,520.00   | 1,422.47   | 97.53    |
| Nurse and Substitute                       | 6,150.00   | 5,773.15   | 376.85   |
| Part-Time Nurse                            | 1,000.00   | 160.00     | 840.00   |
| Nurse's Expense                            | 670.00     | 437.94     | 232.06   |
| Nurse's Clerk                              | 2,800.00   | 2,800.00   |          |
| Nurse's Car Expense                        | 500.00     | 351.75     | 148.25   |
| Nurse's Car                                | 2,000.00   | 1,863.37   | 136.63   |
| Inspection of Animals                      | 450.00     | 353.72     | 96.28    |
| Inspection of Meat and Slaughter           | 50.00      | 25.00      | 25.00    |
| Sewage Study                               | 2,941.87   | 2,941.87   |          |
| Highway Tools                              | 400.00     | 315.83     | 84.17    |
| Highway Sick Leave, Vacations,<br>Holidays | 2,200.00   | 1,657.80   | 542.20   |
| Highways, Bridges, Railings                | 3,000.00   | 2,910.76   | 89.24    |
| Chapter 81                                 | 25,150.00  | 25,150.00  |          |
| Chapter 90 Maintenance                     | 9,000.00   | 9,000.00   |          |
| Snow Removal                               | 12,138.33  | 12,138.33  |          |
| Highway Dump Truck                         | 10,500.00  | 10,294.97  | 205.03   |
| Sidewalks                                  | 500.00     | 460.77     | 39.23    |
| Street Lights                              | 7,268.00   | 6,528.23   | 739.77   |
| Highway Bounds, Surveys, Lists             | 350.00     |            | 350.00   |
| Soldiers' Relief                           | 2,000.00   | 988.70     | 1,011.30 |
| School Committee Salaries                  | 750.00     | 750.00     |          |
| Schools                                    | 194,248.16 | 191,978.14 | 2,270.02 |
| PVRS Capital & Operating<br>Budgets        | 231,917.21 | 231,917.21 |          |



|                                               |           |           |           |
|-----------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Dickinson Library                             | 8,746.83  | 8,746.83  |           |
| Dickinson Library Roof Repairs                | 900.00    | 885.00    | 15.00     |
| Field Library                                 | 250.00    | 250.00    |           |
| Town Reports                                  | 849.89    | 849.89    |           |
| Memorial & Veterans' Days                     | 350.00    | 293.00    | 57.00     |
| Veterans' Grave Markers                       | 250.00    | 126.15    | 123.85    |
| Alexander Hall                                | 1,468.50  | 1,425.84  | 42.66     |
| Insurance                                     | 9,400.00  | 9,156.32  | 243.68    |
| Chapter 32B                                   | 3,585.80  | 3,184.70  | 401.10    |
| Fish for Stocking Streams                     | 200.00    | 200.00    |           |
| Town Clock                                    | 100.00    | 96.00     | 4.00      |
| Land Damage                                   | 600.00    |           | 600.00    |
| Discontinued School Houses                    | 100.00    | 50.00     | 50.00     |
| Fence Viewers, Pound Keeper,<br>Field Drivers | 25.00     |           | 25.00     |
| Maintenance of Athletic Field                 | 400.00    | 340.87    | 59.13     |
| Swimming Pool                                 | 1,200.00  | 1,192.51  | 7.49      |
| Cemeteries                                    | 2,600.00  | 1,620.19  | 979.81    |
| Fire Station Bond and Interest                | 3,396.00  | 3,396.00  |           |
| Unexpended Balances to Revenue                |           |           | 14,499.34 |
| Police, Constables, Expense<br>and Equipment  | 3,400.00  | 2,703.49  | 696.51    |
| Unexpended Balance To Revenue                 |           |           | 287.45    |
| Unexpended Balance to 1970                    |           |           | 409.06    |
| Highway Superintendent's Exp.                 | 250.00    | 237.75    | 12.25     |
| Machinery Maintenance                         | 13,122.00 | 12,855.42 | 266.58    |
| Interest                                      | 1,310.00  | 890.00    | 420.00    |
| Unexpended Balance to Reserve                 |           |           | 698.83    |
| Plotting Map for Assessors                    | 819.39    |           | 819.39    |
| Police Cruiser, Chief & Exp.                  | 12,600.00 | 9,686.59  | 2,913.41  |
| Civil Defense                                 | 988.77    |           | 988.77    |
| Land for Sewage Plant                         | 3,000.00  |           | 3,000.00  |
| Chapter 90 Const. 1968                        | 20,753.60 | 13,579.05 | 7,174.55  |
| Chapter 90 Const. 1969                        | 28,800.00 |           | 28,800.00 |
| Unexpended Balances to 1970                   |           |           | 43,696.12 |
| Refunds -on Taxes                             |           | 3,561.58  |           |
| Refunds on M.V. Excise                        |           | 2,173.55  |           |
| Tax Collector's Costs                         |           | 709.00    |           |
| U.S.G. M.A.                                   |           | 2,825.37  |           |
| State Parks and Reservations                  |           | 3,519.48  |           |
| State Assessment                              |           | 96.48     |           |
| State M.V. Tax Bills                          |           | 288.90    |           |
| County Tax                                    |           | 29,775.39 |           |
| County Retirement System                      |           | 5,308.90  |           |
| Veterans' Service Center                      |           | 2,054.01  |           |
| State Audit                                   |           | 4,940.05  |           |
| County Dog Officer                            |           | 473.00    |           |



|                                        |              |  |
|----------------------------------------|--------------|--|
| Dog Licenses To County                 | 473.75       |  |
| Wild Cat Bounty                        | 10.00        |  |
| School Lunch                           | 13,500.91    |  |
| National Defense Education, Title III  | 346.00       |  |
| Federal Withholding Taxes              | 25,792.44    |  |
| State Withholding Taxes                | 4,891.40     |  |
| County Retirement                      | 3,513.14     |  |
| Teachers' Retirement                   | 5,608.33     |  |
| Mass. Hospital Service                 | 2,999.02     |  |
| Teachers' Association Dues             | 378.00       |  |
| Teachers' Credit Union                 | 1,248.00     |  |
| Teachers' Annuities                    | 4,147.50     |  |
| Life Insurance                         | 188.36       |  |
| Refunds on Teachers' Retirement        | 15.31        |  |
| Refunds on Mass. Hospital Service      | 103.73       |  |
| Refunds on Life Insurance              | 3.06         |  |
| Beautification Fund                    | 168.69       |  |
| Trust Funds to Savings Account         | 10.00        |  |
| U.S. Bonds Interest to Savings Account | 250.00       |  |
| Stabilization Fund to Savings Account  | 10,000.00    |  |
| Revenue Cash Investments               | 450,000.00   |  |
| Temporary Loan                         | 60,000.00    |  |
| Belcher Library Fund Interest          | 1,040.18     |  |
| Maude Montague Library Fund Interest   | 109.51       |  |
| Charles Dickinson Book Fund Interest   | 164.03       |  |
| Refund on Fire Reimbursement           | 78.82        |  |
|                                        |              |  |
| Total Payments                         | 1,272,883.36 |  |
| Cash on Hand, Dec. 31, 1969            | 152,020.00   |  |
|                                        |              |  |
|                                        | 1,424,903.36 |  |

## SELECTMEN'S EXPENSE

|                                |        |        |
|--------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Appropriation                  |        | 750.00 |
| Association Dues               | 54.00  |        |
| Lawyers Co-Operative Publisher | 77.50  |        |
| Telephone                      | 212.90 |        |
| Association Meetings           | 46.25  |        |
| Supplies                       | 337.43 | 728.08 |
| Balance to Revenue             | 21.92  | 750.00 |

## ACCOUNTANT'S EXPENSE

|                    |       |        |
|--------------------|-------|--------|
| Appropriation      |       | 100.00 |
| Postage            | 6.00  |        |
| Telephone          | 3.15  |        |
| Supplies           | 22.56 |        |
| Repairs            | 30.50 |        |
| Meeting            | 4.50  | 66.71  |
| Balance to Revenue | 33.29 | 100.00 |

## TREASURER'S EXPENSE

|                      |        |        |
|----------------------|--------|--------|
| Appropriation        |        | 500.00 |
| Refund               |        | .90    |
| Transfer             |        | 152.52 |
| Association Dues     | 4.00   |        |
| Treasurer's Bond     | 110.00 |        |
| Supplies and Postage | 539.42 | 653.42 |

## TAX COLLECTOR'S EXPENSE

|                              |        |        |
|------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Appropriation                |        | 800.00 |
| Association Dues             | 4.00   |        |
| Collector's Bond             | 185.00 |        |
| Supplies, Postage, Telephone | 442.04 | 631.04 |
| Balance to Revenue           | 168.96 | 800.00 |

## ASSESSORS' EXPENSE

|                      |        |        |
|----------------------|--------|--------|
| Appropriation        |        | 800.00 |
| Refund               |        | 20.10  |
| Association Dues     | 15.00  |        |
| Registry of Deeds    | 106.35 |        |
| Supplies and Postage | 450.72 |        |
| Binding              | 30.00  |        |
| Equipment            | 160.35 | 762.42 |
| Balance to Revenue   | 57.68  | 820.10 |

## TOWN CLERK'S EXPENSE

|                  |       |        |
|------------------|-------|--------|
| Appropriation    |       | 100.00 |
| Association Dues | 5.00  |        |
| Clerk's Bond     | 10.00 |        |
| Supplies         | 38.00 |        |
| Telephone        | 11.00 |        |
| Clerical         | 36.00 | 100.00 |

## ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

|                    |        |          |
|--------------------|--------|----------|
| Appropriation      |        | 1,000.00 |
| Elections          | 216.00 |          |
| Registrars         | 340.00 |          |
| Ballots            | 65.00  |          |
| Street Lists       | 235.20 |          |
| Supplies           | 7.50   | 863.70   |
| Balance to Revenue | 136.30 | 1,000.00 |

## MAINTENANCE OF TOWN HALL

|               |          |          |
|---------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation |          | 7,000.00 |
| Fuel          | 1,892.52 |          |
| Electricity   | 326.96   |          |
| Water         | 18.00    |          |

|                          |          |          |
|--------------------------|----------|----------|
| Public Safety            | 35.00    |          |
| Supplies and Maintenance | 2,180.03 |          |
| Custodian                | 1,650.00 |          |
| Drapes                   | 492.40   | 6,594.91 |
| Balance to Revenue       | 405.09   | 7,000.00 |

## POLICE, CONSTABLES, EXPENSE AND EQUIPMENT

|                        |          |          |
|------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation          |          | 3,400.00 |
| Payroll                | 1,582.00 |          |
| Mileage                | 413.80   |          |
| Radio Maintenance      | 60.00    |          |
| Supplies and Equipment | 519.80   |          |
| Telephone              | 127.89   | 2,703.49 |
| Balance to Revenue     | 409.06   |          |
| Balance to 1970        | 287.45   | 3,400.00 |

## POLICE CRUISER, OFFICER AND EXPENSE

|                          |          |           |
|--------------------------|----------|-----------|
| Appropriation            |          | 12,600.00 |
| Salary                   | 3,750.00 |           |
| Cruiser                  | 3,306.60 |           |
| Car Expense              | 977.49   |           |
| Supplies                 | 976.91   |           |
| Newspaper Advertisements | 87.69    |           |
| Telephone                | 14.90    |           |
| Insurance                | 139.70   |           |
| Other Expense            | 433.30   | 9,686.59  |
| Balance to 1970          | 2,913.41 | 12,600.00 |

## FIRE DEPARTMENT SALARIES

|               |        |        |
|---------------|--------|--------|
| Appropriation |        | 500.00 |
| Fire Chief    | 250.00 |        |
| Fire Warden   | 150.00 |        |
| Secretary     | 100.00 | 500.00 |

## FIRE DEPARTMENT OPERATING EXPENSE

|                      |          |          |
|----------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation        |          | 6,000.00 |
| Mutual Aid           | 10.00    |          |
| Payroll              | 2,600.25 |          |
| Telephone            | 438.58   |          |
| Repairs and Supplies | 1,224.10 |          |
| Electricity          | 96.74    |          |
| Fuel Oil             | 201.79   |          |
| Insurance            | 226.00   | 4,797.46 |
| Balance to Revenue   | 1,202.54 | 6,000.00 |

## FIRE DEPARTMENT HOSE AND EQUIPMENT

|                      |          |          |
|----------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation        |          | 1,400.00 |
| Hose                 | 1,015.65 |          |
| Pumps                | 107.80   |          |
| Nozzle               | 74.12    |          |
| Gloves, Coats, Boots | 185.00   | 1,382.57 |
| Balance to Revenue   | 17.43    | 1,400.00 |

## MAINTENANCE OF FIRE STATION AND GARAGE

|                      |        |          |
|----------------------|--------|----------|
| Appropriation        |        | 2,000.00 |
| Fuel                 | 817.34 |          |
| Electricity          | 456.26 |          |
| Water                | 32.64  |          |
| Payroll              | 435.28 |          |
| Supplies and Repairs | 258.48 | 2,000.00 |

## TREE TRIMMING AND PLANTING

|                               |        |          |
|-------------------------------|--------|----------|
| Appropriation                 |        | 1,200.00 |
| Payroll                       | 665.15 |          |
| Hired Machinery               | 120.10 |          |
| Supplies, Equipment & Repairs | 354.95 | 1,140.20 |
| Balance to Revenue            | 59.80  | 1,200.00 |

## DUTCH ELM CONTROL

|                      |          |          |
|----------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation        |          | 3,000.00 |
| Payroll              | 1,532.40 |          |
| Hired Machinery      | 100.00   |          |
| Supplies and Repairs | 269.03   |          |
| Chain Saw            | 460.15   | 2,361.58 |
| Balance to Revenue   | 638.42   | 3,000.00 |

## INSECT AND PEST CONTROL

|                    |        |        |
|--------------------|--------|--------|
| Appropriation      |        | 850.00 |
| Payroll            | 144.55 |        |
| Hired Machinery    | 315.00 | 459.55 |
| Balance to Revenue | 390.45 | 850.00 |

## HEALTH

|                  |        |          |
|------------------|--------|----------|
| Appropriation    |        | 2,000.00 |
| Association Dues | 6.00   |          |
| Telephone        | .30    |          |
| Health Services  | 100.00 |          |
| Supplies         | 154.27 |          |
| Clinics          | 190.00 |          |
| Vital Statistics | 101.00 |          |



|                      |        |          |
|----------------------|--------|----------|
| Dog Officer          | 27.00  |          |
| Association Meetings | 20.00  |          |
| Plumbing Inspections | 305.50 |          |
| Dumps:               |        |          |
| Abalene              | 123.00 |          |
| Hired Machinery      | 952.65 | 1,979.72 |
| Balance to Revenue   | 20.28  | 2,000.00 |

## DUMP CONTROL

|                    |          |          |
|--------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation      |          | 2,000.00 |
| Payroll            | 1,577.55 |          |
| Supplies           | 175.77   | 1,753.32 |
| Balance to Revenue | 246.68   | 2,000.00 |

## NURSE'S EXPENSE

|                    |        |        |
|--------------------|--------|--------|
| Appropriation      |        | 670.00 |
| Supplies           | 207.92 |        |
| Equipment          | 213.02 |        |
| Telephone          | 6.00   |        |
| Insurance          | 11.00  | 437.94 |
| Balance to Revenue | 232.06 | 670.00 |

## HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S EXPENSE

|                    |        |        |
|--------------------|--------|--------|
| Appropriation      |        | 200.00 |
| Transfer           |        | 50.00  |
| Association Dues   | 5.00   |        |
| Telephone          | 135.32 |        |
| Supplies           | 23.41  |        |
| Conference         | 16.50  |        |
| Adding Machine     | 57.52  | 237.75 |
| Balance to Reserve | 12.25  | 250.00 |

## MACHINERY MAINTENANCE

|                      |          |           |
|----------------------|----------|-----------|
| Road Machinery Fund  |          | 11,600.00 |
| Transfer             |          | 1,500.00  |
| Refund               |          | 22.00     |
| Payroll              | 3,378.00 |           |
| Repairs and Supplies | 9,477.42 | 12,855.42 |
| Balance to Reserve   | 266.58   | 13,122.00 |

## HIGHWAYS, BRIDGES, RAILINGS

|                    |          |          |
|--------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation      |          | 3,000.00 |
| Payroll            | 2,613.55 |          |
| Supplies           | 297.21   | 2,910.76 |
| Balance to Revenue | 89.24    | 3,000.00 |

## HIGHWAYS, CHAPTER 81

|                 |           |           |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriation   |           | 7,000.00  |
| Surplus Revenue |           | 18,150.00 |
| Payroll         | 8,141.30  |           |
| Town Machinery  | 4,511.25  |           |
| Hired Machinery | 1,576.50  |           |
| Materials       | 10,920.95 | 25,150.00 |

## HIGHWAYS, CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

|                 |          |          |
|-----------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation   |          | 3,000.00 |
| Surplus Revenue |          | 6,000.00 |
| Payroll         | 2,114.90 |          |
| Town Machinery  | 699.15   |          |
| Hired Machinery | 104.00   |          |
| Materials       | 6,081.95 | 9,000.00 |

## HIGHWAYS, CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION, 1968

|                   |          |           |
|-------------------|----------|-----------|
| Balance from 1968 |          | 20,753.60 |
| Payroll           | 3,320.45 |           |
| Town Machinery    | 1,661.55 |           |
| Hired Machinery   | 950.00   |           |
| Materials         | 7,647.05 | 13,579.05 |
| Balance to 1970   | 7,174.55 | 20,753.60 |

## SNOW REMOVAL

|                 |          |           |
|-----------------|----------|-----------|
| Appropriation   |          | 10,000.00 |
| Transfer        |          | 2,138.33  |
| Payroll         | 7,088.28 |           |
| Hired Machinery | 594.70   |           |
| Salt            | 2,446.48 |           |
| Sand            | 1,168.18 |           |
| Supplies        | 840.69   | 12,138.33 |

## DICKINSON LIBRARY

|                     |          |          |
|---------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation       |          | 7,827.00 |
| County Dog Refund   |          | 328.83   |
| State Library Aid   |          | 580.00   |
| Refund              |          | 11.00    |
| Payroll             | 6,074.86 |          |
| Electricity         | 239.58   |          |
| Telephone           | 84.04    |          |
| Fuel                | 547.97   |          |
| Water               | 18.00    |          |
| Repairs             | 41.00    |          |
| Books and Magazines | 1,642.79 |          |
| Field Library       | 50.00    |          |
| Supplies            | 48.59    | 8,746.83 |

## ALEXANDER HALL

|                      |          |          |
|----------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation        |          | 1,468.50 |
| Janitor              | 257.39   |          |
| Supplies and Repairs | 53.45    |          |
| Piano Tuner          | 15.00    |          |
| Painting             | 1,100.00 | 1,425.84 |
| Balance to Revenue   | 42.66    | 1,468.50 |

## SCHOOLS

|                         |            |            |
|-------------------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation           |            | 194,193.00 |
| Refunds                 |            | 55.16      |
| Teachers' Salaries      | 119,866.82 |            |
| Superintendent's Salary | 2,797.82   |            |
| Superintendent's Aide   | 1,456.64   |            |
| Clerks                  | 2,384.00   |            |
| Custodians              | 8,617.45   |            |
| Travel                  | 496.55     |            |
| Physician               | 670.00     |            |
| Nurse                   | 832.08     |            |
| Transportation          | 26,128.93  |            |
| Textbooks               | 2,252.04   |            |
| Student Supplies        | 3,828.11   |            |
| Janitor Supplies        | 1,782.00   |            |
| Fuel                    | 2,533.26   |            |
| Water and Current       | 3,961.05   |            |
| Repairs and Maintenance | 3,272.11   |            |
| New Equipment           | 2,034.22   |            |
| Tuition                 | 5,217.30   |            |
| Sundry                  | 183.10     |            |
| Telephone               | 227.92     |            |
| Office Supplies         | 406.37     |            |
| Special Project         | 2,860.00   |            |
| Administrative Expense  | 170.37     | 191,978.14 |
| Balance to Revenue      | 2,270.02   | 194,248.16 |

## MEMORIAL AND VETERANS' DAYS

|                    |        |        |
|--------------------|--------|--------|
| Appropriation      |        | 350.00 |
| PVRS Band          | 50.00  |        |
| Flags              | 81.00  |        |
| Plants             | 147.00 |        |
| Loudspeaker System | 15.00  | 293.00 |
| Balance to Revenue | 57.00  | 350.00 |

## CEMETERIES

|                  |        |          |
|------------------|--------|----------|
| Appropriation    |        | 2,600.00 |
| Center Cemetery: |        |          |
| Payroll          | 752.00 |          |

|                      |        |          |
|----------------------|--------|----------|
| Equipment            | 112.95 |          |
| Water                | 18.00  |          |
| Expenses             | 5.00   |          |
| West Northfield:     |        |          |
| Payroll              | 486.00 |          |
| Repairs and Supplies | 20.24  |          |
| Northfield Farms:    |        |          |
| Payroll              | 159.00 |          |
| Mount Hermon:        |        |          |
| Payroll              | 67.00  | 1,620.19 |
| Balance to Revenue   | 979.81 | 2,600.00 |

## BELCHER LIBRARY FUND INTEREST

|                   |        |          |
|-------------------|--------|----------|
| Balance from 1968 |        | 603.08   |
| Receipts          |        | 505.20   |
| Payroll           | 925.14 |          |
| Field Library     | 50.00  |          |
| Repairs           | 6.35   |          |
| Dues              | 6.00   |          |
| Books             | 6.49   |          |
| Supplies          | 46.20  | 1,040.18 |
| Balance to 1970   | 68.10  | 1,108.28 |

## MAUDE MONTAGUE LIBRARY FUND INTEREST

|                   |        |        |
|-------------------|--------|--------|
| Balance from 1968 |        | 517.25 |
| Receipts          |        | 104.22 |
| Telephone         | 7.75   |        |
| Supplies          | 21.44  |        |
| Fuel              | 80.32  | 109.51 |
| Balance to 1970   | 511.96 | 621.47 |

## CHARLES DICKINSON BOOK FUND INTEREST

|                     |        |        |
|---------------------|--------|--------|
| Balance from 1968   |        | 117.73 |
| Receipts            |        | 155.64 |
| Books and Magazines |        | 164.03 |
| Balance to 1970     | 109.34 | 273.37 |



## For the Year Ending December 31, 1969

## GENERAL ACCOUNTS

105



|                         |                  |  |            |
|-------------------------|------------------|--|------------|
| Surplus Revenue         |                  |  |            |
| Appropriation Balances: |                  |  |            |
| Assessors' Map          | 819.39           |  |            |
| General Police          | 409.06           |  |            |
| Police Cruiser          | 2,913.41         |  |            |
| Civil Defense           | 988.77           |  |            |
| Land for Sewage Plant   | 3,000.00         |  |            |
| Chap. 90 Const., 1968   | 7,174.55         |  |            |
| Chap. 90 Const., 1969   | 28,800.00        |  |            |
|                         | <u>44,105.18</u> |  |            |
|                         | 340,136.84       |  |            |
|                         |                  |  | 142,018.84 |

|                          |              |  |              |
|--------------------------|--------------|--|--------------|
| Net Funded or Fixed Debt | \$ 15,000.00 |  | \$ 15,000.00 |
|--------------------------|--------------|--|--------------|

|                             |           |          |  |
|-----------------------------|-----------|----------|--|
| Trust and Investment Funds: |           |          |  |
| In Custody of Treasurer     | 98,250.05 |          |  |
| In Custody of Selectmen     | 10,323.00 |          |  |
| In Custody of Trustees      | 15,444.57 |          |  |
|                             |           |          |  |
| In Custody of Treasurer:    |           |          |  |
| Lottie Evans Charity        |           | 1,527.27 |  |
| Roselle Evans Charity       |           | 500.00   |  |
| Geo. F. Morgan Charity      |           | 3,000.00 |  |
| Surplus Revenue             |           |          |  |
| School Fund                 |           | 1,600.00 |  |
| Belcher Center School       |           | 1,250.00 |  |
| Belcher Library             |           | 9,739.01 |  |
| Dickinson Book Fund         |           | 3,000.00 |  |
| DAR Book Fund               |           | 100.00   |  |

|                         |           |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Marina Stanley Library  | 550.00    |
| Maude Montague Library  | 2,009.60  |
| Cowles Cemetery         | 2,000.00  |
| Belcher Center Cemetery | 2,000.00  |
| Calvin Stearns Cemetery | 500.00    |
| Mary Callender Cemetery | 500.00    |
| W. Northfield Cemetery  | 7,292.49  |
| PC Cemeteries           | 21,349.75 |
| Post War Rehabilitation | 12,836.40 |
| Ina Merriman Library    | 1,956.65  |
| Stabilization Fund      | 26,538.88 |
|                         | 98,250.05 |

## In Custody of Selectmen:

|                          |           |
|--------------------------|-----------|
| Sidney Starkweather      |           |
| Charity                  | 8,000.00  |
| Elisha Alexander Charity | 2,020.00  |
| Flora E. Lane, Center    |           |
| Cemetery                 | 202.00    |
| Lucretia Holton, West    |           |
| Northfield Cemetery      | 101.00    |
|                          | 10,323.00 |

## In Custody of Trustees:

|                          |                     |
|--------------------------|---------------------|
| Martha Alexander Charity | 15,444.57           |
|                          | <u>\$124,017.62</u> |



# BOARD OF ASSESSORS' REPORT

TAX RATE \$32.00

## PROPERTY ASSESSED

|                              | VALUE                  | TAX                 | ABATEMENTS         |
|------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Real Estate Levy of 1969     | \$10,969,960.00        | \$351,038.72        | \$19,113.12        |
| Omitted Assessments          | 13,500.00              | 432.00              | 345.60             |
| Personal Estate Levy of 1969 | 3,411,665.00           | 109,173.28          | 160.00             |
| TOTAL ESTATE LEVY OF 1969    | <u>\$14,395,125.00</u> | <u>\$460,644.00</u> | <u>\$19,618.72</u> |

## MOTOR VEHICLE & TRAILER EXCISE

|                      |              |            |          |
|----------------------|--------------|------------|----------|
| Levy of 1968 in 1969 | \$66.00/1000 |            |          |
| Levy of 1969         | \$287,120.00 | \$8,231.02 | \$678.51 |
| Levy of 1967         | 1,277,828.00 | 73,215.29  | 4,607.66 |
| Levy of 1966         |              |            | 74.25    |
|                      |              |            | 4.13     |

## FARM ANIMAL & MACHINERY EXCISE -

|  |              |            |  |
|--|--------------|------------|--|
|  | \$5.00/1000  |            |  |
|  | \$394,700.00 | \$1,973.56 |  |

## NUMBER OF LIVESTOCK ASSESSED

|                 |        |
|-----------------|--------|
| Horses & Ponies | 47     |
| Bulls           | 21     |
| Number of Acres | 17,737 |
| Cows            | 1,219  |
| Dwellings       | 801    |

## WEST NORTHFIELD WATER DISTRICT

| LEVY 1969         | Tax Rate | \$1.00/1000 | VALUE        | TAX | ABATEMENTS |
|-------------------|----------|-------------|--------------|-----|------------|
| Real Estate       |          |             | \$390,470.00 | -   | -          |
| Personal Property |          |             | 11,850.00    | -   | -          |

## NORTHFIELD WATER DISTRICT

|                                     |                 |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Appropriations Voted to be Raised   | \$14,671.26     |
| Appropriations from Available Funds | <u>2,700.00</u> |
| State Audit of District             | 17,371.26       |
| Total Amount to be Raised           | <u>342.55</u>   |
| Estimated Receipts                  | 17,713.81       |
| From Free Cash                      | <u>2,700.00</u> |
| Net Amount to be Raised             | <u>0.00</u>     |

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph J. Steiner, Chairman  
 Roger M. Greenwood  
 Lee H. Sheldon

# Town Warrant

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

FRANKLIN, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Northfield in the County of Franklin, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the

## TOWN HALL

in said Northfield on Monday, the second day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in their voted by ballot for the following officers for the coming year:

Town Clerk for one year, Town Moderator for one year, Town Treasurer for three years, one Selectman for three years, one Assessor for three years, one School Committee member for three years, one School Committee member for one year, one P.V.R.S. District Committee member for three years, two Library Trustees for three years, one Cemetery Commissioner for three years, one Tree Warden for three years, one Planning Board member for five years, one Planning Board member for two years.

### Question (By petition):

"Shall the Town of Northfield vote to accept the provisions of Section 48, Chapter 31, General Laws, as amended, with reference to the Chief of Police, or officer performing similar duties, and thereby to place said officer within the classified civil service?"

Yes

No

The polls will open at ten A.M. and close at eight P.M.

And you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Northfield, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, March 3, 1970 at seven o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To hear the Reports of the several Town Officers and act thereon.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1970; and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew such notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1970.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to empower the Selectmen to defend the Town in any suit or other legal action brought against the Town or act thereon.

Article 4. To see whether the Town will vote to fix the salaries of all elected officials for the calendar year 1970, raise and appropriate the sums of money therefor and raise and appropriate further sums of money for the maintenance of the several departments of the Town and for other necessary charges, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends as follows:

|                           |          |         |                             |          |
|---------------------------|----------|---------|-----------------------------|----------|
| Moderator Salary          |          | \$35.00 | Insect & Pest Control       | \$850.00 |
| Expense                   |          | 25.00   | Dog Officer & Expense       | 275.00   |
| Finance Committee Expense |          | 75.00   | Civil Defense               | 100.00   |
| Selectmen                 |          | 2150.00 | Health                      | 2000.00  |
| Chairman                  | \$750.00 |         | Nurse & Substitute          | 6450.00  |
| Other Members             | 700.00   |         | Clerk for Nursing Service   | 2800.00  |
| Expense                   |          |         | Nurse's Expense             | 500.00   |
| Secretary                 |          |         | 1700.00 Nurse's Car Expense | 500.00   |
| Town Accountant Salary    |          |         | 1500.00 Ambulance Service   | 4550.00  |
| Expense                   |          |         | 100.00 Dump Control         | 3000.00  |



|                                           |            |                                          |           |
|-------------------------------------------|------------|------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Treasurer Salary                          | 1500.00    | Inspection of Animals                    | 450.00    |
| Expense                                   | 625.00     | Inspection of Meat & Slaughter           | 50.00     |
| Tax Collector Salary                      | 1400.00    | Public Safety                            | 50.00     |
| Expense                                   | 800.00     | Wire Inspector                           | 25.00     |
| Assessors Salary                          | 1775.00    | Highway Superintendent Expense           | 200.00    |
| Chairman \$625.00                         |            | Highway Tools                            | 400.00    |
| Each Member 575.00                        |            | Highway Sick Leave, Vacations & Holidays | 1800.00   |
| Expense                                   | 800.00     | Highways, Bridges and Railings           | 3000.00   |
| Town Clerk Salary                         | 1000.00    | Sidewalks                                | 500.00    |
| Expense                                   | 100.00     | Snow Removal                             | 10,000.00 |
| Planning Board Expense                    | 270.00     | Street Lights                            | 7268.00   |
| Election & Registration                   | 2000.00    | Highway Bounds, Surveys, Plans &         |           |
| Town Hall Maintenance                     | 7000.00    | Street List                              |           |
| Elementary School Committee Salary        | 375.00     | Town Reports                             | 350.00    |
| Each Member \$125.00                      |            | Memorial & Veterans Day Observances      | 1200.00   |
| P.V.R.S. School Committee Salary          | 375.00     | Alexander Hall                           | 350.00    |
| Each Member \$125.00                      |            | Fire & Casualty Insurance                | 8850.00   |
| Elementary School Operating               | 222,019.00 | Chapter 32B Insurance                    | 4750.00   |
| P.V.R.S. Capital                          | 18,252.14  | Interest                                 | 100.00    |
| P.V.R.S. Operating                        | 214,601.33 | Town Clock                               | 100.00    |
| Soldiers' Relief                          | 3500.00    | Tax Title Foreclosure Costs              | 500.00    |
| Legal Expense                             | 500.00     | Protection Tax Title Property            | 25.00     |
| Police Dept. Salary                       | 8000.00    | Land Damage                              | 600.00    |
| Police Dept. Operating, Equip. & Supplies | 4950.00    | Repairs, Discontinued School Houses      | 100.00    |
| Fire Dept. Salaries                       | 500.00     | Fence Viewers, Field Drivers, &          |           |
| Fire Dept. Operating                      | 5500.00    | Pound Keeper                             | 25.00     |
| Fire Dept. Hose & Equipment               | 1500.00    | Maintenance Athletic Field               | 400.00    |
| Hydrants                                  | 500.00     | Swimming Pool                            | 1200.00   |
| Water Holes                               | 800.00     | Cemeteries                               | 2600.00   |
| Fire Station & Town Garage Maint.         | 2000.00    | Fire Station Bonds                       |           |

|                                  |         |               |         |
|----------------------------------|---------|---------------|---------|
| Tree Warden, Trimming & Planting | 1200.00 | Maturing Debt | 3000.00 |
| Dutch Elm Control                | 3000.00 | Interest      | 324.00  |

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors to appoint one of their members as Clerk of the Board under the provisions of Section 4a, Chapter 41 of the General Laws, or employ a clerk, and to raise and appropriate a sum or sums of money to pay the salary of such clerk, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends \$1100.00.

Article 6. To see if the Town will instruct the Assessors to print a Tax Valuation Book in 1970, and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends \$1500.00.

Article 7. To hear the report of the Committee appointed to study the need and possible provisions for an Assessor's real estate map for the Town and related indices, to raise and appropriate, transfer, borrow, or otherwise provide a sum or sums of money to carry out its recommendations, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee does not recommend.

Article 8. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to appoint one of their members as Administrative Clerk of the Board under the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 4a, General Laws, as amended, and raise and appropriate a sum or sums of money to pay the salary of such clerk, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee does not recommend.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to accept from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Public Works, under the provisions of Section 5 of Chapter 768 of the Acts of 1969, the sum of \$13,522.20 to be used to reimburse the Town for funds expended for the reconstruction, maintenance and repair of public highways and bridges, and the enforcement of traffic laws for the calendar year 1970, or take any action in relation thereto.

The Selectmen recommend.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into contract with the Board of Public Works, Division of Highways, for repair and improvement of roads and highways, exclusive of state highways, and raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury a sum or sums of money for Chapter 81 Highways, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate \$8500.00 and transfer \$18,150.00 from unappropriated funds in the treasury pending reimbursement therefor by state and county allotments.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum or sums of money for Chapter 90 Highway Construction or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate \$7200.00 for the Town's share, and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of \$21,600.00, pending reimbursement therefor by state and county allotments.

Article 12. To see if the town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum or sums of money for Chapter 90 Maintenance or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate \$3000.00 and transfer \$6000.00, pending reimbursement therefor by state and county allotments.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Machinery Earnings Fund a sum or sums of money for the Machinery Maintenance Account, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3000.00 and to transfer the sum of \$8000.00 from the Machinery Earnings Fund.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to accept from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Public Works, under the provisions of Section 4 of Chapter 768 of the Acts of 1969, the sum of \$4507.40, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend.

Article 14a. To see if the Town will vote to expend and apply the sum of \$4507.40, as previously accepted, to the reconstruction and repair of Pentecost Road, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend.



Article 15. To see whether the Town will vote to expend and apply the sum of \$9,014.80 as previously accepted from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Public Works, under the provisions of Chapter 616 of the Acts of 1967, to the reconstruction or repair of School Street and Winchester Road, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a used grader and related equipment for the use of the Highway Department, turn in for trade or dispose of the present grader, and raise and appropriate, transfer, borrow, or otherwise provide a sum or sums of money therefor, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends \$14,000.00.

Article 17. To see whether the Town will vote to purchase a road sander and related equipment for use of the Highway Department, turn in for trade or dispose of the present sander, and raise and appropriate, transfer, or otherwise provide a sum or sums of money therefor, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends \$3000.00.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the money received from the County, known as the "Dog Fund", for the Dickinson Memorial Library, as provided in Chapter 140, Section 172, General Laws, as amended, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to accept any sum of money from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as a grant providing state aid for free public libraries under the provisions of Chapter 760 of the Acts of 1960 as amended and to appropriate the exact sum so received for its public library or libraries, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends.

Article 20. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide a sum or sums of money for the use of the Field Library at Northfield Farms, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends \$250.00.



Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide, a sum or sums of money for the operation of Dickinson Memorial Library, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends \$8,871.00.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide, a sum or sums of money to be used to paint the trim and sash of the doors, windows, and roof, of the Dickinson Memorial Library, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends \$600.00.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide, a sum or sums of money to be used to purchase fish to be liberated in the streams of Northfield, under the supervision of the Selectmen, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends \$200.00.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to authorize its Selectmen to accept from the County of Franklin, a sum or sums of money for the suppressing of pests under Chapter 132 or for Dutch Elm Disease control, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to amend its vote taken under Article 39 of the Annual Meeting of March 3, 1969, by providing that the sums appropriated or to be borrowed thereunder may, in addition to purposes voted thereunder, be used for the purpose of acquiring easements for the related interceptor sewers for the sewage treatment and disposal facilities voted thereunder, or take any action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends.

Article 25a. To see if the Town will vote to accept from the Northfield and Mount Hermon Schools, a Massachusetts corporation, a sum or sums of money not to exceed \$6,000.00 as a gift to the Town to assist in the preparation of a comprehensive town plan of present and future development, including maps and related indices, or take any action in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds or otherwise provide a sum of money to be expended under the direction of the Planning Board for the purpose of preparing a master plan of the Town, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate \$2000.00.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to purchase, take by eminent domain or otherwise acquire any part or all of certain rights of way or easements for the purposes of constructing thereon sewage treatment and disposal facilities and related interceptor sewers, and raise, appropriate, borrow or otherwise provide a sum or sums of money therefor or take any action thereon, the detailed description of said rights of way or easements to be duly set forth in the official Town Warrant to be posted for the Annual Town Meeting in March 1970.

The Finance Committee recommends.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide, a sum or sums of money for the expense of the Sewer Study Committee, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends \$350.00.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to accept from the Northfield and Mount Hermon Schools, a Massachusetts corporation, a sum or sums of money to be applied to the Town expenditure for the year 1970 under the Town's contract for the provision of ambulance service, or take any action in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 97A, General Laws, as amended, providing for the establishment by the Selectmen of a police department under the supervision of a chief of police who, along with such other officers as are deemed necessary, shall be appointed by the Selectmen, who shall have charge of the department subject to the approval of the Selectmen, and whose compensation shall not exceed the annual appropriation therefor, or take any action in relation thereto.

The Selectmen recommend.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Overlay Reserve, a sum of money for a

Reserve Fund for the current year, as provided by Chapter 59, Section 25, General Laws, as amended, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends the transfer of \$5000.00.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to be used by the Assessors in determining the 1970 Tax Rate, or take any action in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends the transfer of \$15,000.00.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from Overlay Reserve to the Stabilization Fund, as provided by Section 25, Chapter 59, General Laws, as amended, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends the transfer of \$15,000.00.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the postwar Rehabilitation Fund, so-called, to the Stabilization Fund, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends the transfer of \$12,836.40, plus any balance therein.

Article 34a. To see if the Town will vote to accept a sum or sums of money allotted by the County Commissioners of Franklin County for the purchase of police radio communications equipment or related expense, and to appropriate such sum or sums as shall be received for such purpose, or take any action in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from unappropriated available funds a sum of money to supplement the fund held over from 1969 for police communications equipment pending reimbursement by federal and state agencies.

The Finance Committee recommends \$1500.00.

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote as provided by Section 10, Chapter 39, General Laws, as amended, to designate that upon the completion of the construction of the new federal post office in Northfield, the places for posting the warrant for any annual or special town meeting or election shall be as follows: the Town Hall, the Dickinson Memorial Library, the new federal post office in



Northfield, the Field Library in Northfield Farms, the Barnes Service Station in West Northfield, the west store building in Northfield, and the store building in East Northfield, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Selectmen recommend.

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$100.00 for perpetual care of the following cemetery lot from the following named person or party.

|         |                           |                                                                               |
|---------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Lot #26 | Northfield Farms Cemetery | From the Estate of Clayton P.B. Miller,<br>360 Chapman St., Greenfield, Mass. |
|---------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|

Article 38. To hear the report of the Committee appointed to determine the procedures necessary for planning a Tercentenary Celebration for the Town in 1973, and to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide, a sum or sums of money to carry out its recommendations, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends \$100.00.

Article 39. To hear the report of the Committee appointed to make inventory of the recreational facilities of the Town, and to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide, a sum or sums of money to carry out its recommendations, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee does not recommend.

Article 40. To hear the report of the Committee appointed to study the Town Hall kitchen and dining facilities, and to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or otherwise provide a sum or sums of money to carry out its recommendations, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee does not recommend.

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell at public or private sale or otherwise dispose of approximately 1.18 acres of land, and the so-called Community Building situated thereon, located on the west side of Route 63 at Four Mile Brook in Northfield Farms, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Selectmen recommend.



Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to sell or otherwise dispose of School House #4 and 1.18 acres of land located in Northfield Farms for a sum of money and the conveyance to the Town of a parcel of land suitable for a general playground and baseball diamond, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the Post Offices in Northfield and East Northfield; Field Library, Northfield Farms; and Barnes' Service Station, West Northfield, in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this second day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy.

SELECTMEN OF NORTHFIELD

Stanley J. Powers, Chairman

Herbert H. Streeter

William H. Hawley

A true copy. Attest:

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Cover Photos: Symbolic of Northfield's changing landscape are these views of the reconstruction of Route 10 running from Northfield to Bernardston.

On the front cover one looks east across the Connecticut River to Northfield with familiar Notch Mountain in the background.

On the back cover the view is west from the junction of Routes 10 and 63 across the southerly portion of the Great Meadow.

Photos furnished by Charles Ogren.









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